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To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Ford, Hayley
Sent: Thur 8/10/2017 7:38:00 PM
Subject: Softball

Layne,

Thanks for playing tonight! If you know anyone else who would want to play feel free to invite them. We're about 2 short. Details below. See you there around 6:45-7!

Henry Bacon Ball Field #11, 23rd and Constitution (near Lincoln Memorial). Map below.

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/West+Potomac+Park+Ball+Field+11/@38.8915773,77.0510581,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m5!3m4!1s0x77.0488694>

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From: Levine, Carolyn
Location: DCRoomARN3428/OCIR
Importance: Normal
Subject: FW: Daily Check-In
Start Date/Time: Wed 8/23/2017 2:15:00 PM
End Date/Time: Wed 8/23/2017 3:00:00 PM

From: Richardson, RobinH
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 10:12:27 PM UTC
To: Richardson, RobinH; Moody, Christina; Osinski, Michael; Levine, Carolyn; Bowles, Jack; Kaiser, Sven-Erik; Bailey, KevinJ; Haman, Patricia; Dickerson, Tom; Aarons, Kyle; Blizzard, James; Bangerter, Layne; Cheatham-Strickland, Latonia; Bennett, Tate; Lyons, Troy; Ringel, Aaron; Cory, Preston (Katherine); Davis, Matthew; Frye, Tony (Robert)
Cc: Shimmin, Kaitlyn; Palich, Christian; Rodrick, Christian
Subject: Daily Check-In
When: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 2:15 PM-3:00 PM.
Where: DCRoomARN3428/OCIR

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To: Hannon, Arnita[Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov]
Cc: Matthews, Demond[matthews.demond@epa.gov]; Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Hanson, Andrew
Sent: Wed 8/30/2017 9:11:23 PM
Subject: Re: Need Your Recommendation on Who to Invite from OP to the NLC Leadership Meeting on Sept 7th

Well, Samantha Dravis is the agency's actual Designated Federalism Official, so she'd be a natural. (And she would show up if Layne asked her). Otherwise, among career folks, Dr. Sarah Rees (Reg Mgt & Analysis Director) and Robin Kime (Chief of Staff) would both be good, especially if it's made clear to them why they should be there.

If you invite Samantha, ask Layne to send her a quick note asking her to post. If she can't do it, her political deputy would be ok too.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 30, 2017, at 2:04 PM, Hannon, Arnita <Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov> wrote:

Hey Drew!

Well Carolyn is back from vacay and sort of tweaking things for our upcoming meeting with NLC Leadership on Sept. 7 from 4:45 – 5:45 pm. I'd like to add a couple of OP folks to the invite just to hear (and react to as they deem appropriate) the NLC leadership highlight the following:

the importance of local governments being at the table during the rulemaking and regulatory process, importance of federalism consultation, and regulatory reform.

Probably not a lot of feedback needed here from us on this, but to have a listening ear that could maybe just say we appreciate their focus on these areas and also appreciate that NLC recognizes our commitment to local governments being heard, federalism, and reg reform. Anyway, definitely following your guidance on who we might add to the invite to attend.

Thanks so much!

“The Other AH”

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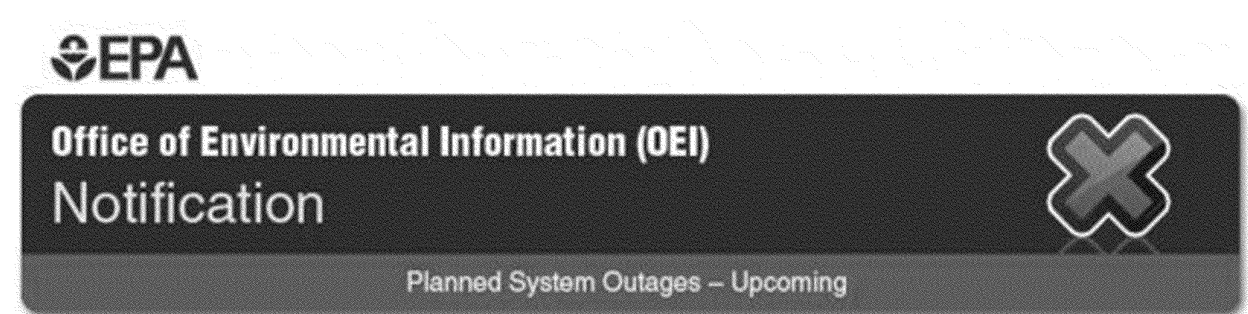
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From: OEI-MassMailer-Mailbox
Sent: Tue 9/5/2017 2:29:10 PM
Subject: Planned System Outage: Voice Services and Network Connectivity - September 6, 7 & 8, 7:00 p.m.-11:59 p.m. and September 9, 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



Please do not reply to this message. Thank you.



Affected Location: Headquarters – **Reagan Building and William Jefferson Clinton (WJC) North**

Affected Service: Voice Services and Network Connectivity

Due to a system upgrade, all voice services and network connectivity to the locations in the table below will be interrupted on the dates and times listed.

Building	Date & Time of Service
Reagan Building-Mezzanine North, Rm M1222	Wednesday, September 6 - 7:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. ET
Reagan Building – Basement South, Rm B1.6	Thursday, September 7 - 7:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. ET

WJC North – 7 th Floor	Friday, September 8 - 7:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. ET
WJC North – 7 th Floor	Saturday, September 9 – 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET

During the service windows, all computers and VoIP phones located in the affected buildings will lose connectivity to the network. It should also be mentioned that this upgrade may erase the call history on VoIP phones. During the outage periods, employees who are working remotely, or from a mobile device will not be affected.

If you experience problems, please contact your [Local Help Desk](#). We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause.

To see a list of planned and unplanned system outages, please visit the [Maintenance and Status Calendar](#) page.

From: Cuartas, Beatriz
Location: WJC
Importance: Normal
Subject: Meeting
Start Date/Time: Thur 8/10/2017 8:00:00 PM
End Date/Time: Thur 8/10/2017 9:00:00 PM

To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Layne Bangerter
Sent: Sun 9/3/2017 1:36:08 PM
Subject: Fw: Fwd: TO THOSE BORN 1925 - 1975: WE ARE AWESOME

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

On Sat, Sep 2, 2017, at 9:49 AM, Julie Beck

<Personal Email/Ex. 6> wrote:

If you forward this- please take my email off of it. xo

TO THOSE BORN 1925 - 1975: WE ARE THE BEST

**No matter what our kids
And the new generation think about us,
WE ARE AWESOME !!!
OUR Lives are LIVING PROOF !!!
TO ALL THE
KIDS WHO SURVIVED THE 1930s, '40s,
'50s,
'60s and '70s!!**

**First, we survived
Being born to mothers who may have
smoked and/or drank While they
were Pregnant.**

They took aspirin, Ate blue

cheese dressing, tuna from a can, and didn't get tested for diabetes.

**Then, after that Trauma, we were put to sleep
on our tummies ,in baby
cribs,covered With bright colored Lead-
based paints.**

**We had no Childproof lids on medicine
bottles, locks on doors or
cabinets, And, when we
Rode our bikes, We had baseball Caps,
Not helmets, on Our heads.**

**As infants and Children, we would ride
in cars with no car seats, no booster
seats, no seat belts, No air bags, bald
tires and sometimes no brakes.. Riding
in the Back of a pick- up truck on a
warm day was always a special treat.**

We drank water From the garden hose

and not from a bottle. We shared one Soft drink with four friends, from one bottle, and no one actually died from this.

We ate cupcakes, White bread, real butter, and bacon. We drank Kool-Aid made with real white sugar. And we weren't overweight.

WHY?

Because we were Always outside playing...that's why!

**We would leave Home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the streetlights Came on. No one was Able to reach us all day.
--And, we were
OKAY.**

We would spend Hours building Our go-carts out

Of scraps And then ride Them down the hill, We did not Have Play Stations, Nintendos and X-boxes. There were No video games, No 150 channels on cable, No video movies Or DVDs, No surround-sound or CDs, No cell phones, No personal computers, No Internet and No chat rooms.

WE HAD FRIENDS

And we went Outside and found them!

We fell out Of trees, got cut, Broke bones and

Teeth, And there were No lawsuits From those accidents.

We would get Spankings with wooden spoons, switches, ping-pong paddles,

**or just a bare hand,
And no one would call child services to
report abuse.**

**We ate worms, And mud pies Made
from dirt,
And The worms did Not live in us
forever.**

**We were given BB guns for our 10th
birthdays, 22 rifles for our 12th, rode
horses, made up games with sticks and
tennis balls, and -although we were
Told it would happen- we did not put
out very many eyes.**

**We rode bikes Or walked to a friend's
house and knocked on the door or rang
the bell, or just Walked in and talked to
them. Little League had Tryouts And not
everyone Made the team. Those who
didn't Had to learn To deal with
Disappointment. Imagine that!!**

The idea of a parent bailing Us out if we broke the law was unheard of. They actually sided with the law!

These generations have Produced some of the best risk-takers, Problem solvers, and Inventors ever.

The past 50 To 85 years have seen an explosion of innovation and new ideas..

We had freedom, Failure, success and responsibility, and we learned how to deal with it all.

If YOU are One of those born Between 1925-1970, CONGRATULATIONS!

You might want To share this with others who have had the luck to grow up as kids before the lawyers and the government regulated so much of our

lives for our own good.

While you are at it, forward it to your kids, so they will know how brave and lucky their parents were.

Kind of makes you want to run through the house with scissors, doesn't it ?

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**The quote of the month
by Jay Leno:**

"With hurricanes, tornadoes, fires out of control, mud slides, flooding, severe

thunderstorms tearing up the country from one end to another, and with the threat of bird flu and terrorist attacks, are we

sure this is a good time to take God out of the Pledge of Allegiance?"

-----Jay Leno

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Patrick Bruen

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From: Cheatham-Strickland, Latonia
Location: DCRoomARN3428/OCIR
Importance: High
Subject: Canceled: Daily Check-In
Start Date/Time: Tue 1/31/2017 3:15:00 PM
End Date/Time: Tue 1/31/2017 4:00:00 PM

Call In Number:

Conference Ext. :

Participant Code:

To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: NLC - National League of Cities
Sent: Tue 9/5/2017 2:01:52 PM
Subject: Reminder: Rooftop Reception with Local Leaders on 9/6

National League of Cities (NLC) President Matt Zone, Councilman, Cleveland and NLC 2nd Vice President Karen Freeman-Wilson, Mayor, Gary, Ind., invite you to a rooftop reception with local elected officials and members of NLC's Federal Advocacy Committees, including the:

- Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Federal Advocacy Committee
- Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Federal Advocacy Committee
- Human Development Federal Advocacy Committee
- Public Safety and Crime Prevention Federal Advocacy Committee
- Transportation and Infrastructure Services Federal Advocacy Committee

These local leaders are key partners in the intergovernmental partnership. We hope you come by for refreshments and stay for conversations with city leaders about the biggest factors impacting communities across the country.

WHAT: Rooftop Reception with Local Leaders

WHEN: September 6, 2017, 4:30-6:00 p.m. ET

WHERE: 660 N. Capitol St. NW, rooftop

Please RSVP to Ashley Smith at asmith@nlc.org or (202) 626-3094 by September 5.

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From: OEI Job Opportunity
Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 2:31:01 PM
Subject: Talent Hub Reassignment: Government Information Specialist (FOIA), GS-12



The following Talent Hub Lateral Reassignment announcement is located in the **Office of Environmental Information (OEI), Office of Enterprise Information Programs, FOIA, Libraries and Accessibility Division (FLAD)**, in Washington, DC. Please share this announcement with anyone that you feel may be interested and meets the eligibility requirements. Click the link below for more information.

Title: [Government Information Specialist \(FOIA\)](#)

Description:

The Office of Enterprise Information Programs (OEIP) is offering a reassignment opportunity to serve as a Government Information Specialist supporting the EPA Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) program.

The Agency's FOIA program develops and oversees the implementation of policies, procedures and guidance to ensure the timely and appropriate release of information under Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). This effort is led by the Agency FOIA Officer in collaboration with all EPA offices that have Agency-wide FOIA responsibilities.

[More information on Talent Hub...]

LINK: [Government Information Specialist \(FOIA\)](#)

Be sure to sign up for [Talent Hub](#) Opportunity Alerts, under “My Stuff” to receive emails when Talent Hub opportunities, that meet your criteria, are posted.

To: AO-OCIR Everyone[AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov];
RCL's[CNRCLsOIntergov._Contacts@epa.gov]
Cc: Linkins, Samantha[Linkins.Samantha@epa.gov]
From: Moody, Christina
Sent: Fri 9/22/2017 1:08:34 AM
Subject: Appropriations & CrossCutting Weekly Report
Weekly Report 9.18.17.docx

Please see attached.

Christina J. Moody
US Environmental Protection Agency
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**Consolidated Report
Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations
Appropriations & Crosscutting Team**

For the Week of September 18 – September 22, 2017

APPROPRIATIONS:

HR 3354 was passed by the House on Sept 14, 2017 and is now in the Senate to consider the 1.23 trillion omnibus spending package. In its current form, the bill would appropriate 621.5 billion for defense spending, and \$511 billion for nondefense discretionary spending, including \$1.57 billion for Trump's border wall. Democrats object to its funding levels and policy riders, and have the votes to block it. Additionally, the bill violates caps in a 2011 budget law and, if it were to become law, would trigger across the board spending cuts known as sequestration.

Many agree the House passage was largely symbolic. As of this writing, no new movement has occurred on the bill in the Senate.

LRMS:

September 18: CMB-115-76, Telework Travel Expenses Test Programs Extension Act

September 19: HWM-115-80, HR3076 Creating Advanced Streamlined Electronic Services (CASES) for Constituents Act of 2017

September 21: WT-115-74, HR3019 Promoting Value Based Procurement Act of 2017

September 21: CMB-115-77, HR70 Federal Advisory Committee Act Amendments of 2017

September 21: SS-115-68, OMB Report on FY18 FISMA Guidance

September 22: WT-115-76, HR3071 Federal Acquisition Savings Act of 2017

September 27: CMB-115-78, Department of Treasury Report on Annual Report on the Insurance Industry

Scheduling/Meetings/Congressional Briefings:

- 1- Coordination meeting with OARM and OEI on McCollum response (AL-17-001-3125)
- 2- Briefing with HEC (requested in Sept 5 dated letter from Reps. Walden and Murphy) regarding buyouts and workforce reduction initiatives. Scheduling in process.
- 3- Briefing request from HOCR & Judiciary Committees (requested in a Sept 6 dated letter Reps. Gowdy and Goodlatte, as well as subcommittee chairmen) regarding how the Agency has implemented the President's executive orders as it relates to the Regulatory Reform Task Force. (AL-17-001-2787) Scheduling in process.
- 4- Letter from HEC dated August 30 about the "lack of transparency at the Agency". Response in progress.

Correspondence - Items Requiring Signature/Approval/Concurrence

CMS #	Member	Subject	Office
AL-17-001-1448	Johnson	Current Scientific Consensus on Human Caused Climate Change	OCIR
AL-17-001-1514	Barrasso	SAB/IRIS	SAB
AL-17-001-1976	Feinstein	Proposed Desalination Plant in Rosarito, Mexico	OITA
AL-17-001-3125	McCollum	FOIA Request – Associated Press	OARM/OEI
AL-17-001-2683	DeGette	HEC – lack of transparency at the agency	OP
AL-17-001-	NA	LEGIS Fellows – Class of 2018	OCIR

Congressional Inquiries:

OMB Status Request: Comments on NETI SORN - OEI

Senator Markey: Follow up on personnel issue - Gaul

Congressman Hautamaki: Personnel issue

Congressman Rutherford: STAR for St Johns River Basin, Jacksonville, FL

Hearings:

October 4: Possible upcoming House Committee on Small Business hearing to examine the Paperwork Reduction Act. EPA has tentatively been asked to provide a witness to testify.

Nominations:

POSTPONED HEARING: Rescheduled date – October 4: The Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works will hold a full committee hearing entitled, “Hearing on the Nominations of Michael Dourson, **Matthew Leopold (General Council)**, David Ross, and William Wehrum to be Assistant Administrators of the Environmental Protection Agency, and Jeffery Baran to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.” (10am in Rm 406, Dirksen Senate Office Building).

Staff Announcements:

Ericka Farrell started her detail on the team on Monday, September 18. She comes to us from the Office of Civil Rights, where she worked on Title VI cases. She will be with us for at least four months and we are happy to have her on board.

To: Bowles, Jack[Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]
Cc: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Hanson, Andrew
Sent: Tue 8/15/2017 11:44:48 AM

Home this morning, left you a vm.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Penman, Crystal
Location: 3233 WJCE
Importance: Normal
Subject: WOTUS Call in Non-responsive Conference Code/Ex.6 passcode Non-responsive Conference Code/Ex.6
Start Date/Time: Wed 11/8/2017 3:00:00 PM
End Date/Time: Wed 11/8/2017 3:45:00 PM
Agenda -- WOTUS 9 Nov 2017.docx

To: Reeder, John[Reeder.John@epa.gov]
Cc: AO OEX[AO_OEX@epa.gov]; AO OPA Everyone[AO_OPA_Everyone@epa.gov]; AO OPEEE Everyone[AO_OPEEE_Everyone@epa.gov]; AO OSDBU EVERYONE[AO_OSDBU_EVERYONE@epa.gov]; AO SAB EVERYONE[AO_SAB_EVERYONE@epa.gov]; AO-EXECUTIVE-MANAGERS[AO-EXECUTIVE-MANAGERS@epa.gov]; AO-IO-Everyone[AOIOEveryone@epa.gov]; AO-OAES[AOOAES@epa.gov]; AO-OCHP-Everyone[AOOCHPEveryone@epa.gov]; AO-OCIR Everyone[AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov]; AO-OCR-EVERYONE[AOOCREVERYONE@epa.gov]; AO-OHS[AOOHS@epa.gov]; Cubeddu, Mariana[Cubeddu.Mariana@epa.gov]; Derkasch, Patricia[Derkasch.Patricia@epa.gov]; Kok, Nancy[Kok.Nancy@epa.gov]; Means-Thomas, Janet[Means-Thomas.Janet@epa.gov]; Levitt, Shelley[Levitt.Shelley@epa.gov]; McGartland, Al[McGartland.Al@epa.gov]; Munis, Ken[Munis.Ken@epa.gov]; Snyder, Brett[Snyder.Brett@epa.gov]; Bowen, Jennifer[Bowen.Jennifer@epa.gov]; Nickerson, William[Nickerson.William@epa.gov]; Owens, Nicole[Owens.Nicole@epa.gov]; Rees, Sarah[rees.sarah@epa.gov]; Pritchard, Eileen[Pritchard.Eileen@epa.gov]; Schillo, Bruce[Schillo.Bruce@epa.gov]; Tyree, JamesN[tyree.jamesn@epa.gov]; Washington, Stephanie[Washington.Stephanie@epa.gov]; Brown, Margot[Brown.Margot@epa.gov]; Carlson, Rachel[Carlson.Rachel@epa.gov]; Bailey, Kathleen[Bailey.Kathleen@epa.gov]; Foster, John[Foster.John@epa.gov]; Susman, Megan[Susman.Megan@epa.gov]; Dalbey, Matthew[Dalbey.Matthew@epa.gov]; Bowles, Scott[Bowles.Scott@epa.gov]; Debell, Kevin[debell.kevin@epa.gov]; Gentile, Laura[Gentile.Laura@epa.gov]; Green-Goldsborough, Kimberly[Green-Goldsborough.Kimberly@epa.gov]; Grossarth, Shari[Grossarth.Shari@epa.gov]; Heffelfinger, John[Heffelfinger.John@epa.gov]; Poole, Laura[Poole.Laura@epa.gov]; Dawes, Katherine[Dawes.Katherine@epa.gov]; Kashmanian, Richard[Kashmanian.Richard@epa.gov]; Reed, Chris[Reed.Chris@epa.gov]; Rivera, Reiniero[Rivera.Reiniero@epa.gov]; Teplitzky, Andy[Teplitzky.Andy@epa.gov]; Walker, Sherri[Walker.Sherri@epa.gov]; Rogers, Barbara[Rogers.Barbara@epa.gov]; Sachs, Robert[Sachs.Robert@epa.gov]; Shaw, Nena[Shaw.Nena@epa.gov]; Torma, Tim[Torma.Tim@epa.gov]; Germann, Sandy[Germann.Sandy@epa.gov]; Desautels, Lynn[Desautels.Lynn@epa.gov]; Gurkin, Charles[Gurkin.Charles@epa.gov]; Thomas, John V.[Thomas.John@epa.gov]
From: Bowles, Jack
Sent: Tue 9/5/2017 1:13:20 PM
Subject: Re: Renewal

Apologies for the reply all!

From: Bowles, Jack
Location: DCRoomARN3428/OCIR
Importance: Normal
Subject: SLGR Staff Meeting
Start Date/Time: Wed 8/9/2017 3:00:00 PM
End Date/Time: Wed 8/9/2017 3:45:00 PM

We are meeting in the front office conference room today.

Call-in number: ; ext. 1 code:

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Sent: Tue 9/5/2017 9:28:01 PM
Subject: RE: Meeting with NLC Leadership - Thursday, September 7, 2017; 4:45 - 5:45 pm/Room 3530 WJC North
[BriefingforDAAOCIRNLCLeadershipMtgSept2017.docx](#)

Oops – Everyone – One more Piece: Meeting Brief that I did not attach with the first e-mail.
Thanks!

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Subject: Meeting with NLC Leadership - Thursday, September 7, 2017; 4:45 - 5:45 pm/Room 3530 WJC North

Hi and thank you all for participating in the upcoming meeting with NLC Leadership on Thursday, 9/7; 4:45 – 5:45 pm/3530 WJC North. We look forward to hearing from the NLC representatives about their policy priorities per the communities they represent. These include a number of priorities where EPA's partnerships and support are critical, along with how these priorities are reflected in EPA's FY' 18 Budget Proposal, and Congressional action to date. We also look forward to fruitful dialogue with the underlying theme of how we can continue to support the efforts of local government leaders most effectively. *As you know, NLC leaders have identified the following topics for the meeting, and thank you all again so much for being there to address: -CW and DW SRFs; WIFIA; Integrated Planning; Regulatory Challenges in Communities.*

Attached:

-Meeting Brief – Includes Agenda and Overview of Session, etc.

--NLC Letter to President Trump: Re: Follow-up to WH Meeting on Infrastructure (July 17, 2017)

- NLC Letter to House Appropriations and Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies (July 17, 2017)

-NLC Letter to Administrator Pruitt Upon His Nomination (Dec. 20, 2016)

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To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Hanson, Andrew
Sent: Wed 8/23/2017 1:25:28 PM
Subject: FW: VERA/VSIP Headquarters One Day Stop Announcement - Check Out Forms - August 23 and August 30.

FYI....

From: Ferris, Lena
Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 9:21 AM
To: Hanson, Andrew <Hanson.Andrew@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: VERA/VSIP Headquarters One Day Stop Announcement - Check Out Forms - August 23 and August 30.

Is he gone? Did he get a position in Ag? I liked him so much. He was a good one to have stay on and I wish Ryan Jackson made him a part of the inner circle.

Thanks for the note.

Lena

From: Hanson, Andrew
Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 9:20 AM
To: Ferris, Lena <Ferris.Lena@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: VERA/VSIP Headquarters One Day Stop Announcement - Check Out Forms - August 23 and August 30.

Hi Lena –

Purely FYI, and unrelated to your note, Layne B. regularly reminds me how much he enjoyed working with you on ag matters. :o)

From: Ferris, Lena
Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 8:57 AM
To: AO PUBLIC GROUPS <AO_PUBLIC_GROUPS@epa.gov>

Subject: VERA/VSIP Headquarters One Day Stop Announcement - Check Out Forms - August 23 and August 30.

For all AO staff and managers who are departing EPA under the VERA/VSIP Program - OARM is hosting 2 check out days. Please remember that your records form must be completed and signed by your office records officer of myself prior to your departure. See below for logistics.

Thanks

Lena Ferris

Records Officer

Office of the Administrator

In support of the many Headquarters employees who will separate from the Agency under VERA/VSIP, OARM is hosting two “Employee Separation Checkout Day Events”. These events will include subject matter experts from across Headquarters who can help answer questions about checkout and help separating employees complete the required EPA checkout form, as outlined below. Please note that 2 checkout forms are attached for your information and use.

EVENT: VERA/VSIP Headquarters Employee Separation Checkout Event – Get Questions Answered and Checkout Sheet Signed!

WHO TO SEE: Representatives from OARM, OCFO, OITA and OEI will be on hand to support you from:

- Badging Office
- Security Staff (NSI Debrief and Credentials)
- Facilities Staff
- Transit Subsidy/Parking Subsidy/Parking Passes

- Passport Team
- EPA Library
- Records Team (**Separating Employee: Identify & Save Records NOW; Bring Completed Form to Event**)
- Mobile Device Team
- And others

DATE/TIME/PLACE: Wednesday, August 23

8:00AM to 5:00PM

WJC South Building – Room 2138

DATE/TIME/PLACE: Wednesday, August 30

8:00AM to 5:00PM

WJC East Building – Room B-316

WHAT TO BRING: Printed EPA Form 3110-1 (Personnel Separation Checklist - Attached)

Printed EPA Form 3110-49 (Records Checkout - Attached)

NEXT STEPS: Check Status of Leave, Purchase Cards and other debts by emailing Completed 3110-1 Form to hrpayhelp@epa.gov

Separating staff should bring a printed form 3110-1 which they will need to email to hrpayhelp@epa.gov to check the status of their leave balances, purchase cards and any other debts prior to the check-out dates and bring the email confirmation.

Email the 3110-1 form to cinwd_travel@epa.gov to terminate their travel card and ensure balances are zero.

Please Note: Staff with passports may contact OITA directly due to the sensitive nature and control procedures for passports. For planning purposes, OITA staff will be on hand until 3:30 p.m. both days.

To: AO-OCIR Everyone[AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov]
From: Richardson, RobinH
Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 1:59:15 PM
Subject: Sneaker Friday!

Hi everyone – This Friday, to put a little Spring in our Summer, please feel free to wear your fanciest pair of sneakers to the office. We'll do a walk about to capture the fancy footwear. Looking forward to the parade! Best, Robin

Robin H Richardson

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Cc: AO OEX[AO_OEX@epa.gov]; AO OPA Everyone[AO_OPA_Everyone@epa.gov]; AO OPEEE Everyone[AO_OPEEE_Everyone@epa.gov]; AO OSDBU EVERYONE[AO_OSDBU_EVERYONE@epa.gov]; AO SAB EVERYONE[AO_SAB_EVERYONE@epa.gov]; AO-EXECUTIVE-MANAGERS[AO-EXECUTIVE-MANAGERS@epa.gov]; AO-IO-Everyone[AOIOEveryone@epa.gov]; AO-OAES[AOOAES@epa.gov]; AO-OCHP-Everyone[AOOCHPEveryone@epa.gov]; AO-OCIR Everyone[AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov]; AO-OCR-EVERYONE[AOOCREVERYONE@epa.gov]; AO-OHS[AOOHS@epa.gov]; Cubeddu, Mariana[Cubeddu.Mariana@epa.gov]; Derkasch, Patricia[Derkasch.Patricia@epa.gov]; Kok, Nancy[Kok.Nancy@epa.gov]; Means-Thomas, Janet[Means-Thomas.Janet@epa.gov]; Levitt, Shelley[Levitt.Shelley@epa.gov]; McGartland, Al[McGartland.Al@epa.gov]; Munis, Ken[Munis.Ken@epa.gov]; Snyder, Brett[Snyder.Brett@epa.gov]; Bowen, Jennifer[Bowen.Jennifer@epa.gov]; Nickerson, William[Nickerson.William@epa.gov]; Owens, Nicole[Owens.Nicole@epa.gov]; Rees, Sarah[rees.sarah@epa.gov]; Pritchard, Eileen[Pritchard.Eileen@epa.gov]; Schillo, Bruce[Schillo.Bruce@epa.gov]; Tyree, JamesN[tyree.jamesn@epa.gov]; Washington, Stephanie[Washington.Stephanie@epa.gov]; Brown, Margot[Brown.Margot@epa.gov]; Carlson, Rachel[Carlson.Rachel@epa.gov]; Bailey, Kathleen[Bailey.Kathleen@epa.gov]; Foster, John[Foster.John@epa.gov]; Susman, Megan[Susman.Megan@epa.gov]; Dalbey, Matthew[Dalbey.Matthew@epa.gov]; Bowles, Scott[Bowles.Scott@epa.gov]; Debell, Kevin[debell.kevin@epa.gov]; Gentile, Laura[Gentile.Laura@epa.gov]; Green-Goldsborough, Kimberly[Green-Goldsborough.Kimberly@epa.gov]; Grossarth, Shari[Grossarth.Shari@epa.gov]; Heffelfinger, John[Heffelfinger.John@epa.gov]; Poole, Laura[Poole.Laura@epa.gov]; Dawes, Katherine[Dawes.Katherine@epa.gov]; Kashmanian, Richard[Kashmanian.Richard@epa.gov]; Reed, Chris[Reed.Chris@epa.gov]; Rivera, Reiniero[Rivera.Reiniero@epa.gov]; Teplitzky, Andy[Teplitzky.Andy@epa.gov]; Walker, Sherri[Walker.Sherri@epa.gov]; Rogers, Barbara[Rogers.Barbara@epa.gov]; Sachs, Robert[Sachs.Robert@epa.gov]; Shaw, Nena[Shaw.Nena@epa.gov]; Torma, Tim[Torma.Tim@epa.gov]; Germann, Sandy[Germann.Sandy@epa.gov]; Desautels, Lynn[Desautels.Lynn@epa.gov]; Gurkin, Charles[Gurkin.Charles@epa.gov]; Thomas, John V.[Thomas.John@epa.gov]
From: Bowles, Jack
Sent: Tue 9/5/2017 1:10:42 PM
Subject: Re: Renewal

Dear John,

Good luck with your new gig. It sounds very interesting. I would love to be in the touch with you to hear more about it after you are settled over there. And if we can be a resource to you, please do not hesitate to reach out.

I and EPA will miss you here, though. You have brought precious wisdom to your job and the agency.

All the best to you,

Jack

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 25, 2017, at 11:01 AM, Reeder, John <Reeder.John@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear friends and colleagues,

I have been offered an opportunity to join the **Environmental Policy Center** at American University's (AU) School of Public Affairs for two years. While I'm thrilled by this opportunity to learn and contribute in a new way, I am truly going to miss you. I've been at EPA since the earliest days of my career. I have grown up here. To use a borrowed line, if you love your job enough, you never have to work a day in your life. Ok, I won't go that far! But I would say that my work here has been deeply gratifying, and there's nothing more special than explaining the mission of EPA to my friends, neighbors, and especially, my kids. I could not be more proud than to be part of the EPA family, and helping this enormously consequential agency accomplish an incomparable mission. After 7 years as Deputy Chief of Staff, I've had the honor and pleasure of working with all of you one-on-one, or in various group/committee settings. I thank you for your wise advice, collegiality, expertise, and most importantly, your leadership of this amazing organization.

Over the next two years with the Center, I hope to bring to AU what I've learned from EPA to build connections to local environmental protection agencies -- advancing EPA's mission while helping AU broaden student opportunities for learning and future careers.

I want to thank Ryan Jackson and Mike Flynn for supporting me in this endeavor. Obviously, this doesn't make their jobs any easier, and I'm very grateful. I will be working with Ryan/Mike to provide more information on transitioning my portfolio as decisions are made. My last day is expected to be August 31.

V/R

John E. Reeder
202 564 6082 (direct)

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From: Hannon, Arnita
Sent: Tue 9/5/2017 9:16:52 PM
Subject: Meeting with NLC Leadership - Thursday, September 7, 2017; 4:45 - 5:45 pm/Room 3530 WJC North
[Response Following White House Infrastructure Meeting 7.24.17.pdf](#)
[Interior-Environment House Appropriations 07 17 17.pdf](#)
[NLC Letter to EPA Nominee Pruitt 12 20 16.pdf](#)
[Attendees List.docx](#)

Hi and thank you all for participating in the upcoming meeting with [NLC Leadership on Thursday, 9/7; 4:45 – 5:45 pm/3530 WJC North](#). We look forward to hearing from the NLC representatives about their policy priorities per the communities they represent. These include a number of priorities where EPA 's partnerships and support are critical, along with how these priorities are reflected in EPA's FY' 18 Budget Proposal, and Congressional action to date. We also look forward to fruitful dialogue with the underlying theme of how we can continue to support the efforts of local government leaders most effectively. *As you know, NLC leaders have identified the following topics for the meeting, and thank you all again so much for being there to address: -CW and DW SRFs; WIFIA; Integrated Planning; Regulatory Challenges in Communities.*

Attached:

- Meeting Brief – Includes Agenda and Overview of Session, etc.
- NLC Letter to President Trump: Re: Follow-up to WH Meeting on Infrastructure (July 17, 2017)
- NLC Letter to House Appropriations and Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies (July 17, 2017)
- NLC Letter to Administrator Pruitt Upon His Nomination (Dec. 20, 2016)

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List of Attendees for the NLC September Federal Advocacy Committee Fly-In

- Matt Zone, Councilmember, Cleveland, OH and NLC President
- Karen Freeman Wilson, Mayor, Gary, IN and NLC 2nd Vice President
- Hattie Portis Jones, Mayor Pro Tem, Fairburn, GA – Vice Chair, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee
- Cynthia Pratt, Deputy Mayor, Lacey, WA – Vice Chair, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee
- TJ Cawley, Councilmember, Morrisville, NC – Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee Member
- Jane Goodman, Council President, South Euclid, OH – Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee Member
- Rick Elumbaugh, Mayor, Batesville, AR – Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee Member
- John Kinnaird, Council Member, Waco, TX – Vice Chair, Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Committee
- Diana Arteaga, Director of Government Relations, Miami, FL – Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Member
- Johnathan Medlock, Commissioner, District Heights, MD – Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Member
- Earl Leiken, Mayor, Shaker Heights, OH – Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Member
- Gil Ziffer, Mayor Pro Tem, Tallahassee, FL – Chair, Human Development Committee
- Bill Partington, Mayor, Ormond Beach, FL – Human Development Committee Member
- Leta Mach, Council Member, Greenbelt, MD – Human Development Committee Member
- Rose H Glover, Mayor Pro Tem, Greenville, NC – Human Development Committee Member
- Doris McConnell, City Councilmember, Shoreline, WA – Human Development Committee Member
- Greg Evans, City Councilor, Eugene, OR – Chair, Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee
- James McDonald, Councilmember, Pinecrest, FL – Vice Chair, Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee
- Steven Douglas, Councilman, Commerce City, CO – Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee Member
- Jake Spano, Mayor, St. Louis Park, MN – Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee Member
- BJ Williams, Councilman, Garland, TX – Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee Member
- Kathryn Wilemon, Council Member, Arlington, TX – Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee Member
- Sherri Neil, Intergovernmental Affairs Manager, Portsmouth, VA – Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee Member
- Deverick Williams, Council President, Gadsden, AL – Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Member
- Peter Ives, City Councilor, Santa Fe, NM – Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee Member

Waters of the U.S. Federalism Consultation – Association Membership Briefings

On Wednesday, April 19, EPA’s Office of Oceans, Wetlands and Watersheds (OWOW) and OCIR began their E.O. 13132 (Federalism) consultation process to inform the agency’s development of a revised definition for Waters of the United States. That discussion was attended by representatives of the National Governors Association, the National League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, the U.S. Conference of Mayors, the Council of State Governments, the National Conference of State Legislatures, the County Executives of America, the National Association of Towns and Townships, the Environmental Council of the States, the Western Governors Association, the National Association of Clean Water Agencies, the Association of Clean Water Administrators, the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture, the Association of State Wetlands Managers, the Association of State Floodplain Managers, the National Water Resources Association, the State/Local Legal Center, and several members of EPA’s Local Government Advisory Committee. ***17 associations total**

*(9 of the “Big 10” groups, plus 8 other intergov associations, plus LGAC members)

Following the April 19 briefing, and in response to requests from several associations, OWOW and OCIR co-hosted **follow-up briefings for these groups’ members**, including:

April 26	<u>Local Government Advisory Committee: Protecting America’s Waters work group</u>
May 3	LGAC PAW work group
May 18	Joint briefing with LGAC PAW, NATaT, USCM, NLC, NACo, NACWA, AWWA
June 7	LGAC PAW work group

May 5	National Association Clean Water Agencies
May 17	NGA and governors’ staffs
May 18	National Association of State Departments of Agriculture
May 23	National Association of Flood and Storm Water Management Agencies
May 30	Environmental Council of the States
May 31	National Association of State Departments of Agriculture
June 2	Western States Water Council
June 6	Association of State Wetlands Managers
June 7	Association of State Floodplain Managers and the

Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission

June 8 Western Governors Association

June 9 Association of Clean Water Administrators

June 12 National Association of Counties

**June 12 National Water Resources Association and the
American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials**

June 16 Western States Water Council

****18 intergovernmental associations participated in follow-up Federalism briefings for their members. (not incl. LGAC)**

EPA OWOW and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have begun their review of comments received from a broad range of intergovernmental stakeholders as a result of the Federalism process, and the agencies are committed to ensuring that the revised definition will effectively address the concerns raised by our State and local government partners.

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Location: DCRoomARN3428/OCIR
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Subject: Re: Urgent - Security Issue in the North Building

Glad you are okay

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From: Haman, Patricia
Sent: Thur 8/10/2017 6:39:34 PM
Subject: Air Team Weekly_8-7-2017
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Hi – Not much to report this week - Pat

Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations

Air Team Report

Week of August 14, 2017

Hearings/Mark Ups/Regulations _____

- On 8/8/2017, the U.S. Court of Appeals for DC ruled that EPA cannot require companies to replace potent heat-trapping chemicals with other substances. The court found that EPA exceeded its authority under the Clean Air Act with a 2015 rule that eliminated some uses for hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) — which were previously accepted as alternatives to ozone-depleting substances — and approved certain replacements. The court vacated the rule to the extent that manufacturers are required to replace HFCs and remanded the rule to EPA for further proceedings.

Meetings/Briefings/Roll-outs _____

- On August 15, OAR staff will brief Rep. Reed's staff regarding glider kit regulations.

Legislation of Interest _____

Nothing to report this week.

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From: Haman, Patricia
Sent: Thur 9/21/2017 9:55:13 PM
Subject: Air Team Weekly 9-25-2017
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Please call with any questions.

Have a good weekend everyone.

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Air Team Report

Week of September 25, 2017

Hearings/Mark Ups/Regulations

- Postponed to October 4th: SEPW Confirmation Hearing: SEPW will hold a confirmation hearing for 4 EPA nominees. One of them, Bill Wehrum, is nominated to be the Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation. Mr. Wehrum served as acting AA for OAR from 2005 to 2007 under former President George W. Bush.

Meetings/Briefings/Roll-outs

- 9/20: We briefed Rep Wenstrup's office about the eRIN program within the RFS program.
- VW: The Court has approved the Trust Agreement. The Trust Effective Date will be October 3, 2017. Our colleagues in OCIR's Intergovernmental Relations office will be working with our colleagues in OECA to ensure the word gets out to the governors' staffs.
- We have a briefing request from Senators Murray and Cantwell (WA) about EPA's process to review RFS hardship petitions.
- We are tracking down information for staff of Rep. Hurd and Sen. Cruz about the status of Texas' exceptional event demonstration for some elevated ozone levels in the El Paso area.
- By Friday September 29, we expect announcements about designations and proposed classifications for the 2015 National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone. We are still awaiting details on content and timing.

Legislation of Interest

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To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Layne Bangerter
Sent: Tue 8/15/2017 4:34:06 AM

<https://www.federalpay.org/gs/2017/idaho>
Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

To: Lyons, Troy[lyons.troy@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH[Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Osinski, Michael[Osinski.Michael@epa.gov]; Barbery, Andrea[Barbery.Andrea@epa.gov]; Kent, Alison[Kent.Alison@epa.gov]; Saddler, Melissa[Saddler.Melissa@epa.gov]; Nitsch, Chad[Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov]; Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]; Cory, Preston (Katherine)[Cory.Preston@epa.gov]; Hanson, Andrew[Hanson.Andrew@epa.gov]; Hannon, Arnita[Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov]; Banks, Portia[Banks.Portia@epa.gov]; Cook-Shyovitz, Becky[Cook-Shyovitz.Becky@epa.gov]; Eargle, Frances[Eargle.Frances@epa.gov]; Matthews, Demond[matthews.demond@epa.gov]; Scott, Sonya[scott.sonya@epa.gov]
From: Bowles, Jack
Sent: Wed 8/23/2017 12:58:14 PM
Subject: Telework Today

Good Morning,

I am teleworking today and can be reached at the numbers below. Have a nice day, everyone.

Best Regards,

Jack Bowles

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From: Flores, Lisa - OHRM, Washington, DC
Sent: Wed 8/16/2017 3:26:24 PM
Subject: RE: Salary History

Karmel, If you could give me a call that would be great. Thanks so much.



Lisa Flores

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Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2017 2:23 PM
To: Ferebee, Karmel <ferebee.karmel@epa.gov>
Cc: Flores, Lisa - OHRM, Washington, DC <Lisa.Flores@dm.usda.gov>
Subject: FW: Salary History

Karmel: Can you please work with Lisa Flores at USDA on documentation of my income?

Below is from Hayley Ford, our Deputy White House Liaison here at the Environmental Protection Agency. A phone number for Lisa is: (202)720-8244.

Thanks!

Layne R. Bangerter

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From: Ford, Hayley
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 1:52 PM
To: Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov>; Munoz, Charles <munoz.charles@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Salary History

Layne,

See below. Thanks!

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Sent: Fri 9/8/2017 3:06:38 PM
Subject: House passes Trump deal on majority Democratic vote

The House cleared a package Friday to provide more than \$15 billion in disaster aid for victims of Hurricane Harvey, raise the debt ceiling and fund the government for three months.

President Donald Trump is expected to swiftly sign the bill, which delivered on the fiscal deal he struck with Democrats earlier this week. The House passed the bill 316-90, a day after the Senate passed it, 80-17.

Read the entire story at <https://thehill.com>

Christina J. Moody
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From: Gary H. Baise
Sent: Sat 8/12/2017 4:31:25 PM
Subject: Re: Duarte

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On Aug 12, 2017, at 12:09 PM, Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov> wrote:

Sounds good you're happy about it I presume?

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Date: August 12, 2017 at 10:14:53 AM EDT
To: Layne Bangerter <bangerter.layne@epa.gov>
Subject: Duarte

Settled case last night. Thanks again for your help. You can tell Traylor .

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Sent: Thur 8/10/2017 6:17:54 PM
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[Network Printer QRG.docx](#)



Please do not respond to this message. Thank you.

The Managed Print Services (MPS) Team will be installing new multi-function and color printers during the week of August 14th through August 18th. In total, there are 4 devices in RRB.

Program Office	Registration ID	Serial Number	Printer Model	LOCIP Hostname	IP Address
OA	R041716	CNDY163507	HP LaserJet P4515	dc-fcb-350-DC bw.fcb.epa.gov	
OEI	R0416927	PBCC1M01K2	HP Color LaserJet CP4520	DC DC-RRB-61259-CLR	161.80.52.
OA	R0417162	PBCC21027	HP Color LaserJet CM4540 MFP	DC dc-rrb-g1-1-cp4540.reagan.epa.gov	161.80.52.
OA	R0422396	XXXXXXXXXX	HP LaserJet P4515	dc-rrb-m1221a-DC bw.reagan.epa.gov	161.80.52.

As the MPS team begins the replacement process for the network printers,

there will be a period of time when the printer will be taken off line and you will not be able to print from it. Those individuals in the immediate area of these devices will need to print to another network printer during this time until we are able to get the NEW device on-line and ready for operational use.

Attached to this email is a Quick Reference Guide providing instructions on how to remove the mappings from your OLD network printers and then how to map to the NEW network printers. Within about one week after the MPS Team takes the old printer off-line, the team will REMOVE the old network printer from your respective Office areas to get the devices ready for excess to OARM.



Quick Reference Guide: Adding and Removing Network Printers

EZ Tech customers have options for three types of network printers across the Agency: color (CL), black and white (B), and multi-function printers (M). Printers are named by location, building, cubicle number and, device type. For example, the color printer in cubicle 7114F in the William Jefferson Clinton West building is named DC-WJCW-7114F-CL.

Table 1. Printer Name Example

Location	Building	Cubicle	Printer Type
DC	WJCW	7114F	CL
Washington, DC	William Jefferson Clinton West	7114F	Color Printer

Table 2. Location Abbreviations

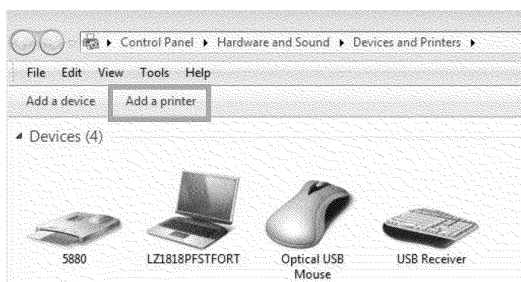
Location	Location Abbreviation	New Abbreviation
Ada, OK	Ada	ADA
Ann Arbor, MI	AA	AA
Athens, GA	ATH	ATH
Cincinnati, OH	CIN	CIN
Corvallis, OR	COR	COR
Denver, CO	DEN	DEN
Duluth, MN	DUL	DUL
Edison, NJ	EDI	EDI
Fort Meade, MD	FTM	FTM
Grosse Ile, MI	GI	GRI
Gulf Breeze, FL	GB	GBR
Las Vegas, NV	LAS	LAS
Montgomery, AL	MON	MON
Narragansett, RI	NAR	NAR
Newport, OR	NEW	NEW
Arlington, VA	VA	VA
Research Triangle Park, NC	RTP	RTP
Washington, DC	DC	DC

Adding a Network Printer

To find and add a network printer to your EPA-provided computer's printer list, complete the following steps.

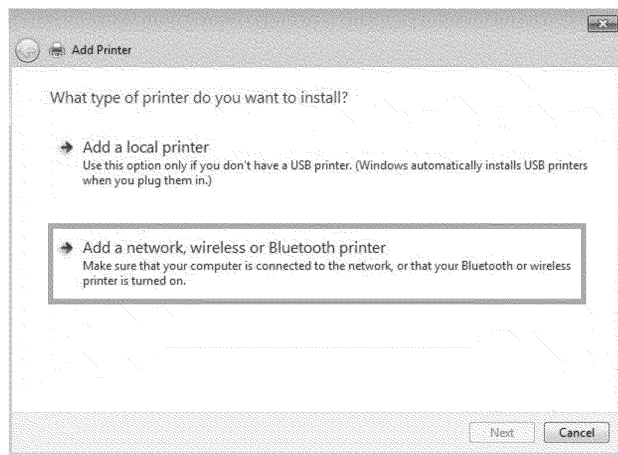
1. Click the **Windows Start Button**.
2. Click **Devices and Printers**.
3. Click **Add a Printer**.

Figure 1. Add a Printer



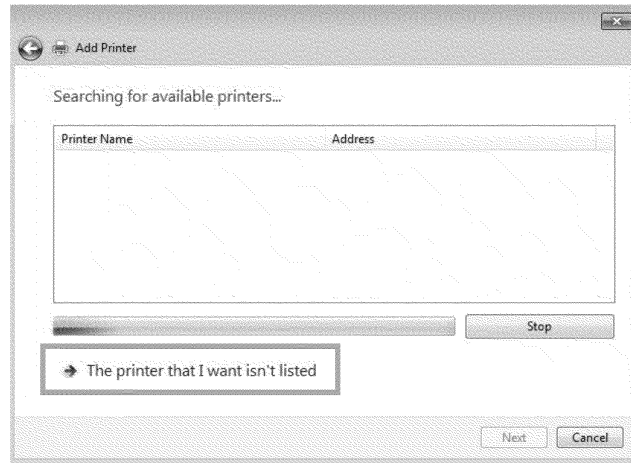
4. Select **Add a Network, Wireless or Bluetooth printer**.

Figure 2. Add a Network, Wireless or Bluetooth printer



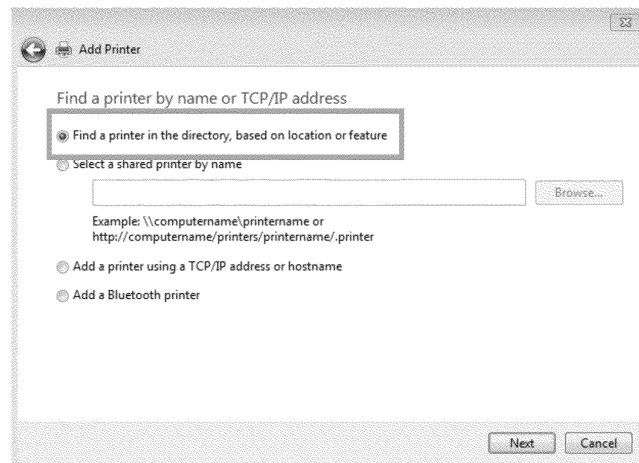
5. Select **The Printer I want is not listed**.

Figure 3. The Printer I want is not listed



6. Click **Next**.
7. Select the Find a printer in the Directory, based on location or feature radio button.

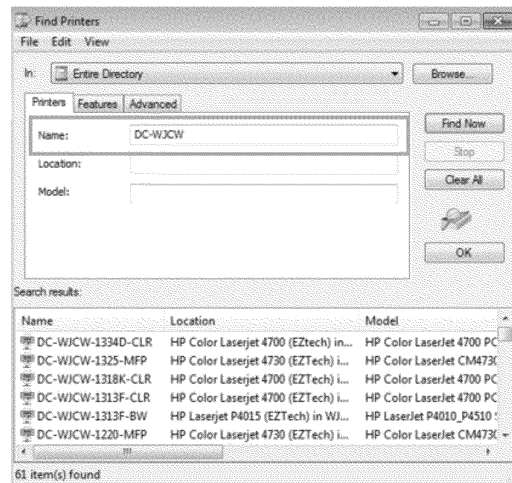
Figure 4. Select Find a printer in the Directory, based on location or feature.



8. Click **Next**.
9. Click the Printers tab.
10. Type your location and building abbreviation in the Name box.

Note: For example, if you are looking for a printer in the William Jefferson Clinton West building, enter “DC-WJCW” in the Name box.

Figure 5. Type your location and building abbreviation in the Name box.



11. Click **OK**. A list of printers will appear.

Note: Printers are named by location, building, cubicle number and device type. For example, the multifunction printer in cubicle 7114F in the William Jefferson Clinton West building is named DC-WJCW-7114F-M.

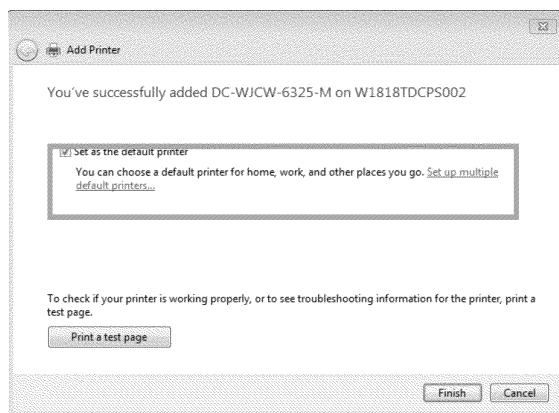
12. Select your preferred printer.

13. Click **OK**. A dialog box will appear indicating that necessary drivers are being loaded. The dialog box will disappear when the process is complete and another box will appear indicating the installation was successful.

14. Click **Next**.

15. Click the **Set as default printer** option if you want this to be your default printer.

Figure 6. Click Set as default printer



16. Click **Finish**. You can now print to the printer you have selected.

Removing a Network Printer

To remove a network printer from your EPA-provided computer's printer list, complete the following steps.

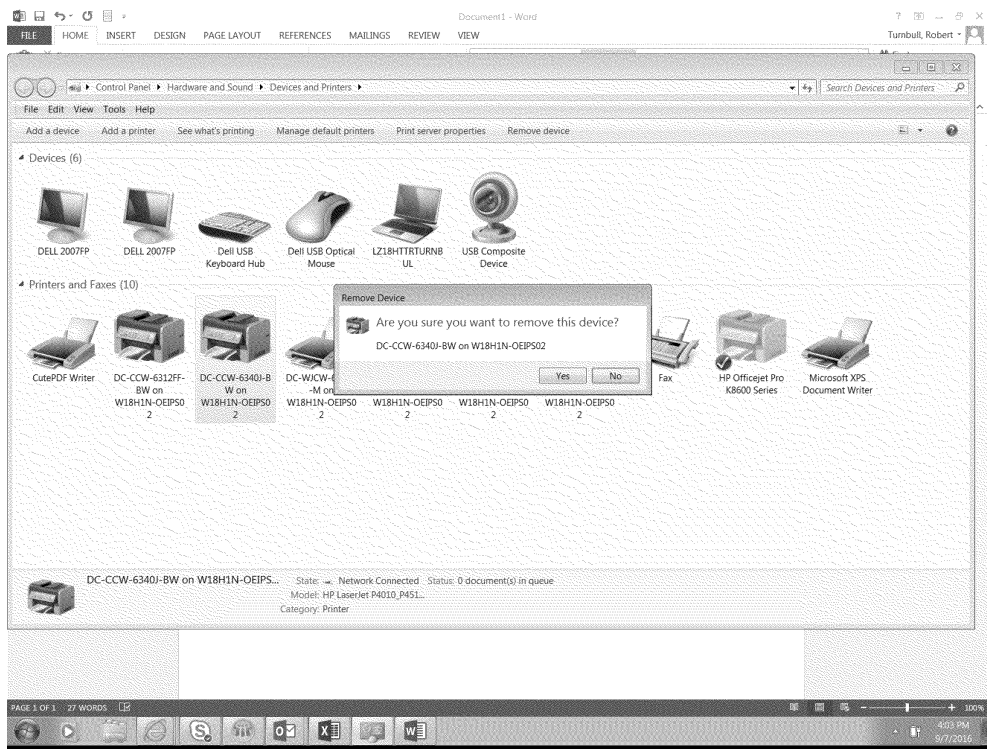
1. Click the **Windows Start Button**.
2. Click **Devices and Printers**.
3. **Right Click** on the Printer you want to delete and **left click** on Remove device.

Figure 1. Right click and then Left click



4. When asked if you want to remove this device, click on YES.

Figure 2. Click Yes to Remove Device



To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Hannon, Arnita
Sent: Tue 8/15/2017 2:53:11 AM
Subject: Re: Administrator's Scheduling Director

Ok! All done and great!

Sent from my iPhone

> On Aug 14, 2017, at 9:20 PM, Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov> wrote:

>

> Yes I missed you today. It was a good day but you keep having your work out I need to finish mine and we will see you tomorrow!

>

> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On Aug 14, 2017, at 9:19 PM, Hannon, Arnita <Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov> wrote:

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>> Yep!

>> Oh wow -sorry I did not get a chance to pop back over today. But will tomorrow and definitely need you when Carolyn and Clarence bring over the bunch of NLC member mayors and council persons. I had said September 8 but now I think we are switching to Sept. 7 so will hopefully get the invite to all of you tomorrow.

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>> Ok, getting another workout in and then relaxing!

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>> Sent from my iPhone

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>>> On Aug 14, 2017, at 9:14 PM, Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov> wrote:

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>>> Interesting

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>>> Sent from my iPhone

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>>>> On Aug 14, 2017, at 6:59 PM, Hannon, Arnita <Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov> wrote:

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>>>> FYI Team: Madeline Morris is the new Director of Scheduling. Replaced Sydney. I do not know what happened to Sydney.

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>>>> Sent from my iPhone

From: Vuong, Chi
Sent: Wed 8/30/2017 7:03:57 PM
Subject: Talent Hub opportunity - OCFO/OTS Information Management & Security Division Associate Director

The Office of Technology Solutions (OTS) of the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO) is pleased to announce an opportunity to serve as Acting Associate Division Director of the Information Management and Security Division (IMSD). This is an excellent leadership opportunity for existing GS 14 and GS 15 and is open to qualified Headquarters' employees.

Opportunity Type: Full Time Detail/Temporary Promotion

Title: OCFO/OTS Information Management & Security Division Associate Director

Link:

https://usepa.sharepoint.com/sites/OA_Applications/TalentHub/details/Lists/Detail/DispForm.aspx?ID=781

To: Hanson, Andrew[Hanson.Andrew@epa.gov]
Cc: Richardson, RobinH[Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]; Lyons, Troy[lyons.troy@epa.gov]
From: Wagner, Kenneth
Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 9:39:47 PM
Subject: Re: Urgent - Security Issue in the North Building

Thanks Andrew

Kenneth E. Wagner

Senior Advisor to the Administrator

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On Aug 9, 2017, at 4:30 PM, Hanson, Andrew <Hanson.Andrew@epa.gov> wrote:

I followed 5 heavily armored police officers into the building several minutes ago, at which point I was told that shots has been fired but that there were no orders to evacuate. (which makes sense if the locus/origin is unknown) I also saw several MPD SUVs rushing further up 12th Street, which suggests to me that shots may have been heard within our building but that the source was somewhere outside the building.

Have advised the all the folks in the bay areas on both sides of our hallway.....just be aware.

From: HQ_Security_Updates
Sent: Wednesday, August 09, 2017 5:22 PM
To: All HQ Employees <All_HQ_Employees@epa.gov>
Subject: Urgent - Security Issue in the North Building

Police are on-site in the WJC North Building, responding to a reported gun being fired in the North Building.

We have no confirmation that anything has occurred at this time; however, the investigation is underway.

We will keep you informed as we learn additional information.

In the meantime, please follow any direction you receive from police on your floor.

To: Skip Brandt Personal Email/Ex. 6
From: Skip Brandt
Sent: Fri 8/25/2017 1:49:02 PM
Subject: This is great!



To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Osinski, Michael
Sent: Tue 9/5/2017 11:35:16 AM
Subject: Re: Thank you OCIR!!

Thank you Layne. It has been great to work for you and get to know you. Let's stay in touch.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 2, 2017, at 4:02 PM, Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov> wrote:

Mike: You're a champ. Thanks for all you've done.

Layne

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 1, 2017, at 3:56 PM, Osinski, Michael <Osinski.Michael@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Everyone,

Well... I guess time really does fly when you are having fun. Today was my last day in OCIR. I will be starting a new job in the Office of Grants and Debarment on Tuesday, September 5. Being part of the OCIR family for the last thirteen plus years has been a wonderful experience and I have been incredibly fortunate to have you as colleagues. OCIR is a unique place to work, offering a vantage point and perspective unlike any other place in the Agency. That is what attracted me here and kept me for over half of my EPA career. The work has been diverse and rewarding, getting to know each of you has been particularly enriching on a personal and professional level, and I have learned so much along the way. Saying goodbye is difficult.

It has been a privilege to serve with you and I hope we have the opportunity to work together in the future.

All the best,

Mike

To: Hannon, Arnita[Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov]
Cc: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Hanson, Andrew
Sent: Wed 9/6/2017 3:57:36 PM
Subject: RE: Meeting: NLC Leadership and EPA Senior Leadership: NLC Priority Issues

Boy, I'd be fascinated to know what OP's political policy people doing over there tomorrow. Layne, if you find yourself tripping over Samantha this week, you should ask her.

Shannon's position there is much more static anyway, so she'll be good to have. Might Sarah Rees be coming?

From: Hannon, Arnita
Sent: Wednesday, September 06, 2017 11:50 AM
To: Kime, Robin <Kime.Robin@epa.gov>
Cc: Hanson, Andrew <Hanson.Andrew@epa.gov>; Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting: NLC Leadership and EPA Senior Leadership: NLC Priority Issues

Hi Robin and thank you so very much for the flag! We understand totally. Your PDAA Shannon Kenny did "Accept" so we are happy to have her with us. And yes, we will let you know about any follow-up. The local officials will express appreciation for our Reg Review basically, and may say a bit about how much they also appreciate our Federalism outreach – fyi.

All's great here and I hope on your end as well. We did have a couple of local official cancellations in light of the impending storm hit of course, so they must return home. But we still have a nice size group coming over.

Thanks again Robin as always!

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From: Kime, Robin

Sent: Wednesday, September 06, 2017 11:41 AM

To: Hannon, Arnita <Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov>

Subject: Meeting: NLC Leadership and EPA Senior Leadership: NLC Priority Issues

Hello,

I hope you are doing well. When you have a moment, may I ask you to let your senior folks know that Samantha and Brittany have a meeting at EEOB that conflicts with this tomorrow so they will not be able to participate? If there are any follow-ups or do dos, for them may we ask that someone pass those along? Just let me know what works. Thanks and have a good meeting.

Robin

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From: Hannon, Arnita

Sent: Friday, September 01, 2017 3:01 PM

To: Hannon, Arnita; Lyons, Troy; Bangerter, Layne; Kelly, Albert; Woolford, James; Stalcup, Dana; Lloyd, David; Carroll, Ann; Forsgren, Lee; Frace, Sheila; Ames, George; Tucker, Kelly; Mylin, Mark; Chamberlain, Nick; Grevatt, Peter; Matthews, Demond; Cory, Preston (Katherine); Bowles, Jack; Carolyn Berndt; Ashley Smith; Jernberg, Jorianne; Dorfman, Jordan; Stein, Raffael; Tiago, Joseph; Burneson, Eric; Hanson, Andrew; Sawyers, Andrew; Harwood, Jackie; Corr, Elizabeth; Dalbey, Matthew; Thomas, John V.; Nagle, Deborah; Pollins, Mark; Denton, Loren; Kloss, Christopher; Weiss, Kevin; Dravis, Samantha; Rees, Sarah; Kime, Robin; Bolen, Brittany; Kenny, Shannon; RADD Admin; Hessert, Aimee; Wagner, Kenneth

Cc: Richardson, RobinH; Cheatham-Strickland, Latonia; Penman, Crystal; Storm, Aimee; Morey, Debra; Quinn, Megan; Overmeyer, Patricia; Jenkins, Juanita; Thompkins, Anita; Mclain, Jennifer; Gartner, Lois; Kumar, Chitra; Shapiro, Mike

Subject: Meeting: NLC Leadership and EPA Senior Leadership: NLC Priority Issues

When: Thursday, September 07, 2017 4:45 PM-5:45 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: 3530 WJC North

To: AO PUBLIC GROUPS[AO_PUBLIC_GROUPS@epa.gov]
From: Gardner, Monee
Sent: Wed 8/16/2017 3:25:17 PM
Subject: Detail Opportunity: Intergovernmental Liaison - State & Local Government

The Office of Congressional & Intergovernmental Relations (OCIR), State and Local Government, currently has a 120-day detail opportunity to serve as an **Intergovernmental Liaison, GS-13/14**.

This position is currently posted in Talent Hub and the announcement closes on **Tuesday, August 22nd**. If you or anyone you know is interested in applying, please go to Talent Hub or click on the link below to apply.

https://usepa.sharepoint.com/sites/OA_Applications/TalentHub/details/Lists/Detail/DispForm.aspx?ID=695

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To: All HQ Employees[All_HQ_Employees@epa.gov]
From: HQ_Security_Updates
Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 9:38:49 PM
Subject: update -- Urgent - Security Issue in the North Building

The Federal Protective Service has given the “all clear” for our FTC Buildings. The report of a gun being fired was unfounded by the FPS.

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From: Gary H. Baise
Sent: Sat 8/12/2017 2:14:53 PM
Subject: Duarte

Settled case last night. Thanks again for your help. You can tell Traylor .

Sent from my iPhone

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Where: 3530 WJC North

To: AO PUBLIC GROUPS[AO_PUBLIC_GROUPS@epa.gov]
Cc: Thompson, Penny[Thompson.Penny@epa.gov]; Tillman, Nigel[tillman.nigel@epa.gov]
From: Twillman, Brian
Sent: Thur 9/21/2017 8:30:40 PM
Subject: REMINDER: Retirement Counseling and Training Plenary Session: AO/OCSP/ OEI Site Visit for Those Planning to Retire Within the Next Two Years (October 19-20, 2017)
retirement benefits questionnaire best system version.pdf

Please submit your completed questionnaire

to thompson.penny@epa.gov by

COB Tuesday, September 26, 2017!

QUICK REMINDER: Should you have a need for and interest in having a confidential, one-on-one retirement counseling session with one of AO's two retirement specialists who work in the RTP Human Resources Shared Service Center (SSC), please submit the retirement benefits questionnaire by next Tuesday, September 26, 2017. See below for more details.

AO is partnering with the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSP) and the Office of Environmental Information (OEI) to make this happen for our employees.

From: Twillman, Brian
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 10:55 AM
To: AO PUBLIC GROUPS <AO_PUBLIC_GROUPS@epa.gov>
Subject: Retirement Counseling and Training Plenary Session: AO/OCSP/ OEI Site Visit for Those Planning to Retire Within the Next Two Years (October 19-20, 2017)

This message is being sent to everyone in the Office of the Administrator via AO Public Groups

A Special Opportunity for AO Career Employees

Planning to Retire Within the Next Two Years

RTP Shared Service Center
Retirement Services
Site Visit to AO/OCSPP/OEI
Federal Triangle Location
October 19-20 2017

From **Thursday, October 19 through Friday, October 20**, Penny Thompson and Nigel Tillman, Retirement Specialists from the RTP Human Resources Shared Service Center (SSC), will be visiting EPA HQ's to provide retirement counseling to AO/OCSPP/OEI employees.

If you're planning to retire within the **next two years** and are interested in having an individual counseling session with one of the visiting Retirement Specialists, please complete the attached Retirement Benefits Questionnaire. The questionnaire will be used to develop an annuity estimate and to guide your retirement counseling session.

Please submit your completed questionnaire to thompson.penny@epa.gov by close of business **Tuesday, September 26, 2017**. After you submit your questionnaire, a representative from the SSC will contact you to schedule your one-on-one counseling session. Questions regarding the proper completion of the questionnaire should be referred to **Penny Thompson (919)-541-1526** or thompson.penny@epa.gov

On **Thursday, October 19, 2017, 9:30 am to 12:00 am** the Retirement Specialists will present a plenary briefing in **Room 3371C in the WJC East Building** for prospective retirees. During

this briefing the Retirement Specialists will cover a number of subjects, including health and life insurance, Medicare, on-line services for annuitants, retirement forms, as well as an overall review of the retirement process. The briefing is a prerequisite for those who have scheduled a one-on-one counseling session.

If you have any questions, please contact Penny Thompson.

AO's POCs for this activity are: Brian Twillman and Melissa Johnson, Office of Administrative and Executive Services (OAES). Melissa can be reached at 202-564-0411 or johnson.melissa@epa.gov. Brian's info is below.



Brian M. Twillman, MS-ABS - Training Coordinator and Organization Development Specialist

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EPA eLearning: <http://epa.skillport.com/> EPA University's List of Mandatory Training: <http://workplace.epa.gov/training.html>

[AO Sharepoint Site](#)

REQUEST FOR ANNUITY ESTIMATE

After completion, please return to ESB-SSC-RTP@epa.gov. For questions or assistance in completing the form, contact your RTP HR Shared Service Center retirement counselor.

Name (Last, First, MI):	User ID: <i>*Can be found by going to PeoplePlusto "People Tools" to "Process Monitor."</i>
Date of Birth:	Last four of SSN:
Work Phone #:	Date of Request:
Office or Region:	
Estimated Dates of Retirement (Up to three dates for estimates within a one year period) 1) 2) 3)	Current Retirement Plan: <input type="checkbox"/> SRS <input type="checkbox"/> CSRS Offset * <input type="checkbox"/> FERS* *Provide current Social Security Statement if: Under CSRS Offset – OR – FERS (under age 62 at anticipated retirement date) SS Statements can be obtained at http://www.socialsecurity.gov/mystatement/

Is this request for a Disability Retirement annuity estimate?

☐

Yes

☐

No

***Are you receiving Standby Pay?**

☐

Yes

☐

No

SURVIVOR ANNUITY BENEFIT ELECTION INFORMATION:

**Note: You must elect a survivor benefit to continue health insurance coverage for family members.*

<u>Maximum Survivor Benefits:</u> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <ul style="list-style-type: none">(CSRS & CSRS Offset) 55% of your annuity will be paid to your survivor in the event of your death.(FERS) 50% of your annuity will be paid to your survivor in the event of your death.
<u>Partial Survivor Benefits:</u> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <ul style="list-style-type: none">(CSRS & CSRS Offset) 55% of a specific dollar amount will be paid to your survivor in the event of your death. Specify the dollar amount or percentage: \$ or <u>0.00%</u>(FERS) 25% of your annuity will be paid to your survivor in the event of your death.
<u>No Survivor Benefits:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> choose an annuity payable only during my lifetime.

MILITARY SERVICE:

Have you had prior active duty military service?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Have you made a military service deposit?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Are you a military retiree?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No

DEPOSIT/REDEPOSIT SERVICE

	Yes	No
Do you have any service which retirement deductions were not withheld such as temporary or intermittent service?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">If yes, did you pay a deposit for the service?		
Do you have any service which you received a refund of your retirement contributions such as after a break in service?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">If yes, have you made a redeposit for the refunded amount back into the retirement fund?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">If yes, what was the dollar amount of the refund?	\$_____	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">If yes, when was the date the refund was received?	_____	

FEDERAL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT

**Note: In order to continue health insurance into retirement, you must have been enrolled for five years preceding your retirement date or since your first opportunity to enroll.*

	Yes	No
If eligible, do you want to continue health insurance?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

FEDERAL TAXES

	Yes	No
Would you like Federal Taxes included in your annuity estimate? <i>* Note: If a W-4P is not included with retirement application, withholding will be at a rate for married with 3 exemptions.</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">If yes, what is the rate of federal taxes you would like? <input type="radio"/> Married <input type="radio"/> Single _____ # of exemptions _____ Additional amount Withheld		

STATE TAXES— State taxes will not be included in your estimate. For state tax information, please refer to the following link at OPM's website:

<http://www.opm.gov/retire/annuity/tax/federalstate.asp>

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

**Note: In order to continue life insurance into retirement, you must have been enrolled for five years preceding your retirement date or since your first opportunity to enroll.*

<u>Basic Life Insurance</u>	Yes	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Basic insurance amount is your annual basic pay rounded up to the next \$100 plus \$200.May be retained at full value (no reduction), or gradually reduce by 5% or 75% of the original value. If you elect a reduction, your basic insurance begins to reduce the 2nd month after age 65 or the 2nd month after retirement, whichever is later.		
If eligible, do you want to continue basic life insurance?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">If yes, indicate which option you are choosing: <p><input type="radio"/> No Reduction <input type="radio"/> 50% Reduction <input type="radio"/> 75% Reduction</p>		

<u>Optional Life Insurance A</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Option A – automatically reduces the 2nd month after you reach age 65 or the 2nd month after retirement, whichever is later. It will reduce 2% each month until 25% pre-retirement value is reached (\$2500). The cost is free at age 65.Insurance coverage is an additional coverage of \$10,000.		
Do you wish to continue Option A Life Insurance?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No

<u>Optional Life Insurance B and C</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Option B coverage – each multiple is equal to your annual basic pay.Option C coverage – each multiple is equal to \$5000 for your spouse and/or \$2500 for each eligible child.<u>Full Reduction</u> – coverage will reduce the 2nd month after you reach 65 at a rate of 2% per month for 50 months then coverage ends.<u>No Reduction</u> – 100% pre-retirement coverage continues for life.Mixed elections are allowed. For example, if you have 3 multiples, you can elect to have two with “full reduction” and one with “no reduction.”
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<u>OPTION B</u> - Do you wish to continue Option B Life Insurance? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Multiple to carry into retirement:
<input type="radio"/> 1x <input type="radio"/> 2x <input type="radio"/> 3x <input type="radio"/> 4x <input type="radio"/> 5x
_____ number of multiples with Full Reduction
_____ number of multiples with No Reduction
<u>OPTION C</u> - Do you wish to continue Option C Life Insurance? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Multiple to carry into retirement:
<input type="radio"/> 1x <input type="radio"/> 2x <input type="radio"/> 3x <input type="radio"/> 4x <input type="radio"/> 5x
_____ number of multiples with Full Reduction
_____ number of multiples with No Reduction

To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Hannon, Arnita
Sent: Tue 8/15/2017 1:19:17 AM
Subject: Re: Administrator's Scheduling Director

Yep!

Oh wow -sorry I did not get a chance to pop back over today. But will tomorrow and definitely need you when Carolyn and Clarence bring over the bunch of NLC member mayors and council persons. I had said September 8 but now I think we are switching to Sept. 7 so will hopefully get the invite to all of you tomorrow.

Ok, getting another workout in and then relaxing!

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> On Aug 14, 2017, at 9:14 PM, Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov> wrote:

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> Interesting

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>> On Aug 14, 2017, at 6:59 PM, Hannon, Arnita <Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov> wrote:

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>> FYI Team: Madeline Morris is the new Director of Scheduling. Replaced Sydney. I do not know what happened to Sydney.

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To: AO-OCIR Everyone[AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov]
From: Gardner, Monee
Sent: Wed 8/16/2017 3:20:16 PM
Subject: Detail Opportunity: Intergovernmental Liaison - State & Local Government

The Office of Congressional & Intergovernmental Relations (OCIR), State and Local Government, currently has a 120-day detail opportunity to serve as an **Intergovernmental Liaison, GS-13/14**.

This position is currently posted in Talent Hub and the announcement closes on **Tuesday, August 22nd**. If you or anyone you know is interested in applying, please go to Talent Hub or click on the link below to apply.

https://usepa.sharepoint.com/sites/OA_Applications/TalentHub/details/Lists/Detail/DispForm.aspx?ID=695

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From: Hanson, Andrew
Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 9:30:32 PM
Subject: FW: Urgent - Security Issue in the North Building

I followed 5 heavily armored police officers into the building several minutes ago, at which point I was told that shots has been fired but that there were no orders to evacuate. (which makes sense if the locus/origin is unknown) I also saw several MPD SUVs rushing further up 12th Street, which suggests to me that shots may have been heard within our building but that the source was somewhere outside the building.

Have advised the all the folks in the bay areas on both sides of our hallway.....just be aware.

From: HQ_Security_Updates
Sent: Wednesday, August 09, 2017 5:22 PM
To: All HQ Employees <All_HQ_Employees@epa.gov>
Subject: Urgent - Security Issue in the North Building

Police are on-site in the WJC North Building, responding to a reported gun being fired in the North Building.

We have no confirmation that anything has occurred at this time; however, the investigation is underway.

We will keep you informed as we learn additional information.

In the meantime, please follow any direction you receive from police on your floor.

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From: Hannon, Arnita
Sent: Fri 8/11/2017 9:31:39 PM
Subject: Meeting Request: NLC Leadership: Administrator or Other Senior EPA Officials
NLC Invitation to EPA Administrator Pruitt.pdf

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Hi All-

Carolyn contacted me this afternoon with the following upcoming event and meeting request for the Administrator's consideration. Thanks!

Meeting Request: NLC -20 City Leaders in DC/Meet with Administrator or Other Senior EPA Officials;
Location: EPA Hdqts.

Topics of Discussion: Issues Important to Cities: the Fiscal Year 2018 budget, infrastructure proposals; and tax reform (*tax reform is actually not us but listed as a top priority generally for the locals officials; but "tax" issues might spill over into Private Activity Bonds – a major priority for mayors and water infrastructure financing*).

NLC Attendees: NLC President Matt Zone, Councilmember, Cleveland; NLC 2nd Vice President Karen Freeman-Wilson, Mayor, Gary, Indiana (**Member: LGAC**); other mayors and councilmembers from across the country who are part of NLC's leadership team for its Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Human Development Committee, Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee, and Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee. [NLC staff sending list of confirmations on Monday]

Action: - (1) Check on Administrator's Availability first and foremost. Robin, can you check that and let us know asap? Thanks! (2) If Administrator is not available, will begin identifying Senior Officials and shaping logistics; or, if Administrator is available, will still assemble senior officials to also participate as needed.

Thanks all and enjoy the weekend!

Arnita

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August 11, 2017

The Honorable Scott Pruitt
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Pruitt:

On behalf of the National League of Cities (NLC) President Matt Zone, I would like to invite you to speak to our leadership as they travel to our nation's capital to meet with Members of Congress and the Administration to ensure that federal policy issues and initiatives important to cities and towns remain front and center in our nation's capital.

Specifically, it is our hope that you will meet with our members in the morning on Friday, September 8 at EPA or NLC's office to kick-off the day. Alternatively, we would be happy to adjust our schedule to accommodate your participation in the afternoon of the September 6 or on September 7.

As the nation's oldest and largest bi-partisan group of local elected officials, we share your commitment to building stronger, more prosperous communities for all Americans. We welcome your insights on how cities and towns and the Administration can partner to find solutions to the challenges facing our communities, including improving our nation's infrastructure, reducing regulatory burdens, and ensuring that the federal budget priorities meet the needs of our citizens and communities.

Thank you very much in advance for your consideration. Carolyn Berndt, Program Director for Sustainability will follow up with your staff to discuss your availability and answer any questions regarding this request. In the meantime, Carolyn may be reached directly at (202) 626-3101 or by email at berndt@nlc.org.

Sincerely,



Clarence E. Anthony
CEO and Executive Director

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Subject: OCIR Water, Pesticides and Toxics Team Weekly Report
[8.14.2017.docx](#)

Hi, all –

Please see attached, and let us know if you have any questions. Have a great weekend!

Denis

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**Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations
Water, Pesticides and Toxics Team
Week of August 14, 2017**

House and Senate in recess until September 5

HOT ISSUES:

- WIFIA (Matt)
- Waters of the U.S., Executive Order, litigation, & replacement rulemaking (Denis)
- Lead in drinking water (Matt)
- WIIN Act (Matt)
- Integrated Planning (Matt)
- Asian Carp/Great Lakes (Denis)
- Chlorpyrifos (Sven)
- PFCs/PFOA/PFOS/GenX (Matt)

MEETINGS/BRIEFINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Aug 7** – Calls w/ HEC majority staff and EPW minority staff on PFCs and drinking water regulation w/ OW (Matt)
- Aug 7** – Hill notification (Army Corps lead) on release of Brandon Road Study regarding preventing Asian Carp advancing to the Great Lakes (Denis)
- Aug 9** – Call with North Carolina local officials, Sen. Burr staff, and NC DEQ on GenX w/ OCSPP, ORD, OW, R4, and OECA (Matt)
- Aug 9** – Hill notification on final Methods Update Rule, approving additional analytical test methods for measuring pollutants in wastewater (Denis)
- Aug 11** – Hill notification on final TSCA inventory rule (Sven/Matt)
- TBD** – Transmittal of 2015 DWSRF Needs Survey Report to Congress w/OW (Matt)
- TBD** – Notification of worker protect standards proposed rule w/OCSPP (Sven)
- TBD** – Notification of formaldehyde labeling and compliance date rules w/OCSPP (Sven)

HEARINGS/MARKUPS:

None

115th CONGRESS LEGISLATION:

- HR 465** – Gibbs (OH), codifies integrated wastewater and stormwater planning (Matt)
- HR 953** – Gibbs (OH), negates NPDES pesticide general permit, **Passed House May 24** (Matt)
- HR 1029** – Davis (IL), PRIA 4, reauthorizes pesticide registration fees, **Passed House March 20, Senate Ag hearing May 11, Passed Senate Ag June 29 (amended)** (Sven)
- HR 1068** – Pallone (NJ)/Tonko (NY), comprehensive update to SDWA, also incorporates the text of other bills, including HR 1071 (Tonko/Pallone) and HR 2479 (Pallone) (Matt)
- HR 1154** – Hunter (CA), addresses ballast water discharges (Denis)
- HR 1261** – Thornberry (TX), revises navigable waters definition and limits CWA jurisdiction (Denis)
- HR 1647** – Blumenauer (OR), establishes water trust fund to support SRFs (Matt)
- HR 1674** – DeLauro (CT), LI Sound restoration reauthorization (Denis)
- HR 1971** – Smucker (PA), companion to S 692 on integrated planning (Matt)
- HR 1974** – Kildee (MI), NO LEAD Act, Requires lead & copper rule update within 9 months; adds lead

sampling and transparency requirements (Matt)

HR 2355 – Latta (OH), companion to S 692 on integrated planning (Matt)

HR 2510 – DeFazio (OR), amends CWA for small/disadvantaged community technical assistance and CWSRF prioritization; reauthorizes sewer grant program (Matt)

HR 2923 – Graves (LA), authorizes Gulf of Mexico partnership (NOAA) and provides gift and borrowing authority to RESTORE Council (Matt)

HR 3106 – Boyle (PA), would require EPA to set MCL for PFOA and PFOS within two years (Matt)

HR 3206 – Dingell (MI), affects delivery and compilation of SDWA Consumer Confidence Reports (Matt)

HR 3248 – Cartwright (PA), authorizes WaterSense, incorporates in federal procurement, and creates early-adopter incentive program (Denis)

HR 3380 – Velazquez (NY), with S 1624, bans chlorpyrifos (Sven)

HR 3387 – Harper (MS), Drinking Water System Improvement Act of 2017, **Passed House Energy & Commerce July 27 with amendment; floor action TBD; OMB requested views; CBO requested TA on cost estimate** (Matt)

S 168 – Wicker (MS), addresses ballast water discharges, **Passed Senate Commerce Jan 24** (Denis)

S 181 – Brown (OH), broadens Buy America use in infrastructure projects (Matt)

S 340 – Crapo (ID), stops NPDES pesticide general permit (Matt)

S 518 – Wicker (MS), technical assistance for small POTWs, **Passed SEPW April 5** (Matt)

S 519 – Gillibrand/Schumer (NY), requires SDWA MCLG and MCL for PFOA, PFOS, 1,4-dioxane, and perchlorate within two years (Matt)

S 675 – Gillibrand (NY), Long Island Sound funding, **Passed SEPW April 5** (Denis)

S 692 – Fischer (NE)/Cardin (MD), integrated planning, **Passed SEPW April 5** (Matt)

S 880 – Baldwin (WI), makes DWSRF AIS provisions permanent (Matt)

S 914 – Shaheen (NH)/Portman (OH), enhances federal coordination and state assistance for emerging contaminant testing and analysis (Matt)

S 1057 – Nelson (FL), amends HABHRCA (algal blooms), including designating nationally significant HAB events, **Passed Senate Commerce May 18, with amendments** (Denis)

S 1129 – Sullivan (AK) Coast Guard Authorization, includes vessel general permit language from S.168, **Passed Senate Commerce May 18, with amendments** (Denis)

S 1137 – Boozman (AR)/Cardin (MD), amends SDWA funding eligibility provisions, authorizes WaterSense, and reauthorizes sewer overflow control grant program (Matt)

S 1401 – Duckworth (IL), requires LCR revisions to address school lead testing and notification; creates school lead testing and notification grant program (Matt)

S 1460 – Murkowski (AK), energy efficiency bill including WaterSense (Denis)

S 1514 – Barrasso (WY), Sportsmen's bill including TSCA lead ammo and fishing tackle exclusion and Chesapeake Bay program reauthorization **Passed SEPW July 26, with amendments** (Sven/Denis)

S 1624 – Udall (NM), with HR 3380, bans chlorpyrifos, **Introduced July 25, Floor speech Aug 2** (Sven)

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Subject: Notes from Sept. 5 P&P Co-Chairs Call
[Elevation Policy 8-15-17.pdf](#)

Hello,

Draft notes from today's P&P call, below. I welcome your edits!

Thanks,

Andrea Barbery

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Notes from 9/5/17 P&P Co-Chairs Call

1. Announcement

The P&P group wishes Mike Osinski well! Mike started in his new role as Director of the Grants and Interagency Agreements Management Division, in OARM's Office of Grants and Debarment today, after having served for over 13 years in OCIR. Best of luck to Mike in his new role!

2. EPA Lean Initiatives

Assistant Deputy Administrator and Chief of Operations Henry Darwin joined the call to discuss his work on the nexus of leaning federal government and cooperative federalism. Having spent 18 years with Arizona DEQ – leading the agency for 5 of those years – he developed a passion for operations and performance, which led Governor Ducey, in 2015, to name him Chief of Operations for the state. In this role, Darwin developed and deployed a lean management system for the state's 35 agencies. Administrator Pruitt brought Darwin on to bring his vision and expertise the federal level, using lean philosophies and processes more strategically to work towards the administration's theme of cooperative federalism. In particular, Darwin is working to identify how we can measure our work towards achieving Cooperative Federalism ("2.0"); the success of any new systems we implement will depend on whether we are measuring the right things. States can expect to see these ideas in EPA's draft FY18-22 Strategic Plan, due out later this month. Between the draft Strategic Plan going out for public comment in September, and its final form expected in February 2018, states will have many opportunities to weigh in on how the agency should achieve its goal. CO asked where EPA is starting on this endeavor; Darwin confirmed that he is working to assess the current state of EPA's operations and where we have an opportunity for improvement. TN shared a desire in the state to move to the next phase in lean, from hosting lean events to creating more of a lean culture, and asked EPA to share anything that would be helpful to the states as the agency works to improve its own lean culture.

3. ECOS Fall Meeting Planning

WI DNR Deputy Administrator Pat Stevens gave an update on preparations for the 2017 ECOS Fall Meeting, to be held Sept. 11-12 in Jackson, WY. Stevens highlighted a number of sessions on the agenda, including a session on "Communicating Progress: Telling the State Story Via Measures & Results," during which ECOS' Planning Committee will reveal its new web-based dashboard, a snapshot tool designed to quickly show the public states' progress in meeting 14 common measures. Also on the agenda is a session on "Innovations in Permitting: Improving Outcomes for All Stakeholders," which will showcase states' efforts to deliver permitting-related services to its stakeholders. The Planning Committee is also working on a number of resolutions; with a goal of reducing the overall number of resolutions on the books, the Planning Committee will sunset 2 resolutions, renew 2 resolutions, and adopt a new resolution, as follows:

- Resolution 8-10: "Strengthening the State-EPA Partnership Including a Continued Commitment to NEPPS" will be sunset because it has been superseded by the September 2015 "Renewal of Commitment to the National Environmental Performance Partnership System" as well as ECOS' Cooperative Federalism 2.0 paper, which goes into greater detail about state-EPA

interactions.

- Resolutions 11-1: “Objection to U.S. EPA Imposition of Interim Guidance, Interim Rules, Draft Policy, and Reinterpretation Policy” will be combined with 11-8: “On the Use of Guidance” to emphasize that EPA guidance should not be used as a substitute for rulemaking or laws.
- Resolution 14-3: “Federal Resources for State Environmental Programs” will be revised to include language from CF2.0, supporting a level of federal funds commensurate with what the federal programs are requiring of the states.
- Resolution 17-TBD (new) on the promulgation of federal rules, stressing the need for EPA to get states’ early input on any rulemaking efforts.

4. **EPA’s Elevation Policy**

Nancy Grantham, Acting Principal Deputy Associate Administrator for the Office of Public Affairs, reported out on EPA’s renewed elevation policy (attached). Issued by Administrator Pruitt on August 15, 2017, the policy mirrors the agency’s January 2016 message and urges EPA employees to elevate concerns quickly and think creatively when a larger environmental or human health issue is at stake.

5. **NPM Guidance/NEPPS Workgroup**

Blair Budd reported out on the draft FY18-19 NPM Guidances, which are currently with senior EPA leaders for review. The public comment period ended Friday, August 4th. The agency expects to post the final guidances on [OCFO’s website](#) by Friday, September 29th.

ECOS reported out on the Aug. 29 meeting between EPA and ECOS’ Executive Committee to get state input on priorities for the FY19 budget planning process. During the meeting, states expressed support for a budget that aligned with ECOS’ core themes, namely: advancing cooperative federalism and shared responsibilities; defining roles and responsibilities of EPA and the states, and allocating resources accordingly; focusing on environmental results rather than processes; maximizing flexibilities in order to meet our shared environmental responsibilities more effectively and efficiently; prioritizing the funding for core functions; and coordinating with states on research needs. Darwin also shared with the group a note about a key change to the draft FY18-22 Strategic Plan, which will include fewer strategic measures to emphasize the areas where EPA aims to improve its performance (while continuing to deliver on its core work).

6. **State Grants Subgroup**

Wendy Waskin reported out a handful of key topics the SGS is working on, including:

- Simplified Cost Review – EPA is trying to get a sense of how many states have been taking advantage of the simplified Cost Review option, in which states can provide EPA with an assurance that personnel and travel systems in place are compliant with federal requirements, and in exchange, states do not need to provide specific details in the personnel and travel components of their grant applications. This flexibility is only afforded to single-year

grant applications, not multi-year, and EPA is not sure how beneficial this process is for states at this time.

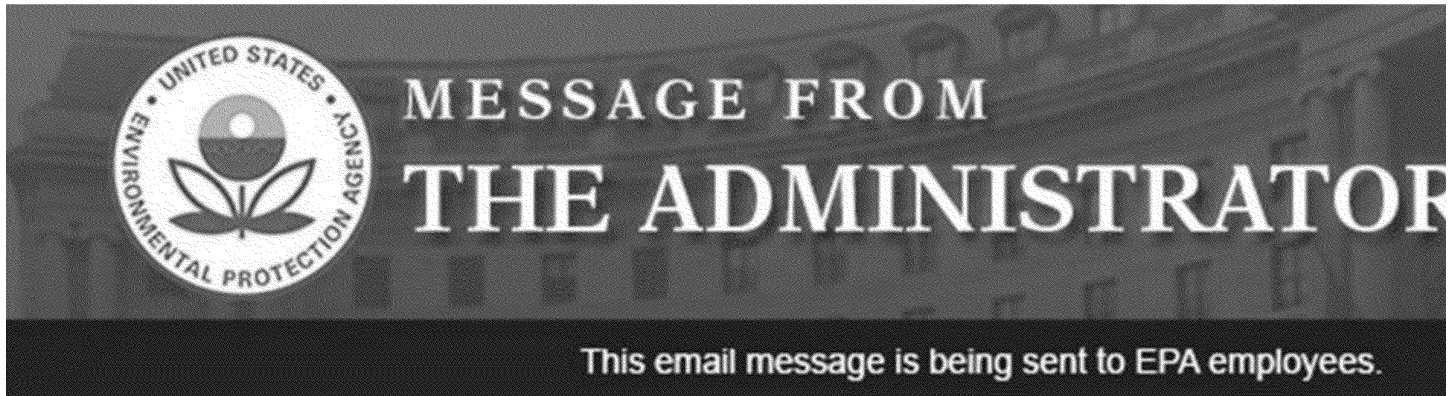
- Direct Charging of Proposal Costs Policy – EPA is seeking state feedback on a draft policy that would allow states to charge for the costs associated with preparing grant applications.
- EPA's Sustainability Policy – EPA and states discussed the policy – emphasizing that it is voluntary – as well as EPA program office responsibilities, and how compliance is internally tracked.
- PPG training – expected to be out for review in the 1st quarter of FY18.

Next Call: Tuesday, October 3

Barbery, Andrea

From: Message from the Administrator
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2017 2:02 PM
To: Message from the Administrator
Subject: Policy on Elevation of Critical Environmental and Public Health Issues

Expires: Saturday, October 14, 2017 12:00 AM



FROM: E. Scott Pruitt

TO: All EPA Employees

In carrying out our mission of protecting human health and the environment, I want to reaffirm the importance of elevating critical environmental and public health issues so that we can properly assess them and respond at appropriate policy and governmental levels in a timely and effective manner.

I have been leading the EPA to promote a healthier environment and strong economy for future generations by focusing on three core principles: rule of law, cooperative federalism and promoting public participation. The agency's role is to faithfully administer the laws Congress has passed, while working with states to address environmental issues with robust public participation. I am asking you to review issues through our statutory role and be eager to assist states, tribes and local governments when we see potential environmental vulnerability, including health risks, whether from air pollution, drinking water contamination, toxic chemicals, hazardous waste or other sources. We must approach our state, tribal and local government leaders as partners in problem solving and work closely with them to address human health and environmental risks.

The EPA issued the original elevation policy on January 21, 2016, following the drinking water crisis in Flint, Michigan. The people of Flint and all Americans deserve a responsive government, and it is important that as an agency we reflect on lessons learned and how we could have responded in a more coordinated manner. I urge all EPA employees to elevate concerns quickly and think creatively when a broader perspective would suggest that a larger public health or environmental issue is at stake.

Today, I am affirming the EPA's formal elevation policy. Leaders at the EPA should continue to encourage staff to elevate issues that have the following characteristics:

- There appears to be a substantial threat to the environment or human health; or
- The EPA is or can reasonably be expected to be a focus of the need for action; or
- Other authorities have a role in addressing the threat and may need federal assistance, including when those authorities appear to be unable to address or unsuccessful in effectively addressing such a threat; or

- Recourse to normal enforcement and compliance tools is not appropriate or unlikely to succeed in the near term;
or
- High and sustained public attention and concern is possible.

When an issue is elevated at the regional level, it must be communicated to headquarters – both to my office and the national program offices – so that we can ensure that the agency's response is proactive and coordinated. Following the previous elevation memo, program offices and regional offices have developed elevation policies. I have requested that the Executive Management Council develop a common elevation procedure based on best practices and experiences throughout the EPA.

It is our responsibility to ensure good communication at all levels in the agency – among our peers, across organizational lines and between the regions and headquarters. There may be instances that warrant elevation that do not fall specifically in the list provided above. Therefore, I expect you to use sound judgment in elevating issues and to do so in a way that enables us to engage the full decision-making resources of the agency.

Once again, it is my absolute privilege to serve with you. I am confident that in the years ahead we can continue to work together so that our future generations inherit a better and healthier environment.

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Sent: Wed 8/16/2017 3:18:52 PM
Subject: Detail Opportunity: Intergovernmental Liaison - State & Local Government

The Office of Congressional & Intergovernmental Relations (OCIR), State and Local Government, currently has a 120-day detail opportunity to serve as an **Intergovernmental Liaison, GS-13/14**.

This position is currently posted in Talent Hub and the announcement closes on **Tuesday, August 22nd**. If you or anyone you know is interested in applying, please go to Talent Hub or click on the link below to apply.

https://usepa.sharepoint.com/sites/OA_Applications/TalentHub/details/Lists/Detail/DispForm.aspx?ID=695

Monée Gardner, Management Analyst

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To: All HQ Employees[All_HQ_Employees@epa.gov]
From: HQ_Security_Updates
Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 9:21:32 PM
Subject: Urgent - Security Issue in the North Building

Police are on-site in the WJC North Building, responding to a reported gun being fired in the North Building.

We have no confirmation that anything has occurred at this time; however, the investigation is underway.

We will keep you informed as we learn additional information.

In the meantime, please follow any direction you receive from police on your floor.

To: AO-OCIR Everyone[AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov];
RCL's[CNRCLsOIntergov._Contacts@epa.gov]
Cc: Linkins, Samantha[Linkins.Samantha@epa.gov]
From: Moody, Christina
Sent: Thur 8/10/2017 3:19:05 PM
Subject: CrossCutting Team's Weekly Report
Weekly Report 8.7.17.docx

Please see attached and let me know if you have questions.

Christina J. Moody
US Environmental Protection Agency
Moody.Christina@epa.gov

Consolidated Report
Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations
Crosscutting Team

For the Week of August 7 – August 11, 2017

LRMS:

August 10: JAW-115-59, OSTP Report on Interagency funding for the National Science and Technology Council

Scheduling/Meetings/Congressional Briefings:

August 17: Webinar on Solutions to Drinking Water Emergencies

August 22-24: Free Drinking Water Workshop in Cincinnati, OH

August 24 (TBC): Sue and Settle meeting with HEC and Judiciary

Correspondence - Items Requiring Signature/Approval/Concurrence

CMS #	Member	Subject	Office	Status
AL-17-000-3145	Price	Pig Facility	OGC	Draft under OCIR review
AL-17-001-0134	Hoyer	Workplace harassment	ORD	Draft under OCIR review
AL-17-000-0476	EB Johnson	BOSC member removal from committee	ORD	In final preparation stage
AL-17-000-9264	Foster et al	BOSC member removal from committee	ORD	In final preparation stage
AL-17-000-8995	Shaheen	BOSC member removal from committee	ORD	In final preparation stage
AL-17-001-1173	Barr et al	Section 114 of the CAA	OP	In final preparation stage
AL-17-001-0818	Hollingsworth	Section 114 of the CAA	OP	In final preparation stage

Congressional Inquiries:

CBO Request: H.R.469 - Sunshine for Regulations and Regulatory Decrees and Settlements Act of 2017
Congressman Capuano: Personnel issue – Gaul

Senator Markey: Follow up on personnel issue - Gaul

Congressman Hautamaki: Personnel issue

Congressman Rutherford: STAR for St Johns River Basin, Jacksonville, FL

To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Matthews, Demond
Sent: Wed 8/16/2017 3:16:41 PM
Subject: RE: Small Request For Moving Stuff

Thanks! ☺

I got something for you from Turkey. I didn't bring it in today. Will bring it tomorrow.

V/r,

DEMOND L. MATTHEWS

Presidential Management Fellow

Small Communities Intergovernmental Liaison

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From: Bangerter, Layne
Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2017 11:11 AM
To: Matthews, Demond <matthews.demond@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Small Request For Moving Stuff

Absolutely

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 16, 2017, at 10:06 AM, Matthews, Demond <matthews.demond@epa.gov> wrote:

Morning Layne,

I just wanted to ask prior to proceeding. Is it okay to use your office as a go between to move Fran's stuff back to her area?

If I don't use your office just to go between, I have to go all the way around which should be no problem because I need the exercise. It shouldn't take that long but I don't want to start it before asking you.

Just let me know if it's good & I'll get it knocked out.

Thanks

V/r,

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From: Barbery, Andrea
Location: Open for Call-In
Importance: Normal
Subject: RESCHEDULED: Bi-Weekly Check-In
Start Date/Time: Thur 8/17/2017 1:00:00 PM
End Date/Time: Thur 8/17/2017 1:30:00 PM

Dial-in: Non-responsive Conference Code/Ex.6

Code: Non-responsive Conference Code/Ex.6

To: AO-OCIR Everyone[AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov];
RCL's[CNRCLsOIntergov._Contacts@epa.gov]
From: Levine, Carolyn
Sent: Thur 9/21/2017 7:37:29 PM
Subject: OCIR Land, Response and Enforcement Team Weekly Report

Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations
Land, Response and Enforcement Team Weekly Report
Week of September 25, 2017

MEETINGS/BRIEFINGS:

(T) Wednesday, September 27 – technical assistance conference call for House Energy and Commerce Committee on **H.R. 848** “Farm Regulatory Certainty Act”.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

n/a

HEARINGS

None

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- Providing Technical Assistance to Senate Environment and Public Works Committee on **S 203** “Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act of 2017”.

- Providing technical assistance to House Energy and Commerce Committee staff on **H. R. 3017** “Brownfields Enhancement Economic Redevelopment and Reauthorization Act of 2017.”

115th CONGRESS LEGISLATION:

S.1211 – Sen. Blunt (MO), Sen. McCaskill/H.R. 2632 - Rep. Clay, Rep. Wagner, Rep. Luetkemeyer: A bill to require the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, to undertake remediation oversight of the West Lake Landfill located in Bridgeton, Missouri. Referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, 05/24/2017; House bill referred to the House Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, House Transportation and Infrastructure, 5/25/2017.

S. 822 – Sen. Inhofe (OK); BUILD Act- To amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to modify provisions relating to grants, and for other purposes. 7/13/17 was reported by the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 3017 – Rep. McKinley (WV); Brownfields Enhancement Economic Redevelopment and Reauthorization Act of 2017 To amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to reauthorize and improve the brownfields program, and for other purposes. 6/28/17 was reported by House Energy and Commerce Committee.

H.R. 1737 – Rep. Crawford (AR); FUELS Act-To amend the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014 with respect to the application of the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule to certain farms, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1758 – Rep. Katko (NY)/Rep. Esty (CT); The Brownfields Reauthorization Act of 2017 - would reauthorize the Brownfields program at the Environmental Protection Agency. 7/27/17 was reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

S 203 – Sen. Burr (NC)/ H.R. 350 – Rep. McHenry (NC); “Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act of 2017”- a bill to reaffirm that the EPA may not regulate vehicles used solely for competition and for other purposes; referred to SEPW; House bill referred to HEC.

H.R. 848- Rep. Newhouse (WA); “Farm Regulatory Certainty Act” -the bill would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to incentivize efficient nutrient management practices and to clarify citizen suit provisions. The bill is similar to H.R.5685 introduced during the 114th Congress.

H.R.917 - Rep. Cook (CA); To control the export of electronic waste in order to ensure that such waste does not become the source of counterfeit goods that may reenter military and civilian electronics supply chains in the United States, and for other purposes. Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

H.R.962 - Rep. Kildee (MI); To prohibit operation of aquaculture facilities that contribute to pollution of wild and scenic rivers. Referred to House Agriculture.

H.R.1034 - Rep. Ellison (MN); To authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to award grants for municipal solid waste prevention, reuse, and recycling program development, and for other purposes. Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R. 1913 – Rep. Panetta (CA); To establish the Clear Creek National Recreation Area in San Benito and Fresno Counties, California, to designate the Joaquin Rocks Wilderness in such counties, and for other purposes. Passed the House on 07/11/2017.

Received in the Senate on 07/11/2017 and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Carolyn Levine

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From: Hannon, Arnita
Sent: Mon 8/14/2017 10:59:36 PM
Subject: Administrator's Scheduling Director

FYI Team: Madeline Morris is the new Director of Scheduling. Replaced Sydney. I do not know what happened to Sydney.

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Sent from my iPhone

To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Richardson, RobinH
Sent: Thur 8/24/2017 9:18:11 PM
Subject: RE: Leave and Hi

Thank you so much Layne! Enjoy your week and I hope the sendoff goes well! Safe travels.
Robin

Robin H Richardson

Principal Deputy Associate Administrator

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richardson.robinh@epa.gov

From: Bangerter, Layne
Sent: Thursday, August 24, 2017 4:26 PM
To: Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>
Subject: Leave and Hi

Hi! I will be on leave next week and available by cell and email. See you the day after Labor Day. **Personal Matters/Ex. 6**

Thanks for all you do Robin! Don't know how long I will be at EPA, but it has been a choice part of my career, not without challenges, but I wouldn't trade this experience for anything mainly because of the people...you being foremost among them.

Sincerely,

Layne

To: Scales, Wuanisha[Scales.Wuanisha@epa.gov]; AO-OCIR
Everyone[AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov]
From: Street, Renee
Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 1:14:48 PM
Subject: RE: People Plus Schedules

Good Morning Wuanisha,

4/10 schedule

From: Scales, Wuanisha
Sent: Tuesday, August 08, 2017 12:11 PM
To: AO-OCIR Everyone <AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov>
Subject: People Plus Schedules

Hello everyone,

If you are on a Maxiflex schedule or 4/10 schedule, please reply to this email stating which one you partake in.

Thanks

Wuanisha

From: Bowles, Jack
Sent: Thur 8/10/2017 3:10:18 PM
Subject: EPA Issues Guidance on State Coal Ash Management Permit Programs

Dear Intergovernmental Colleagues:

Today, EPA is issuing an interim final guidance on state Coal Combustion Residuals permitting programs. This guidance will help states implement provisions of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act, which gives states the opportunity to act as the primary regulatory and enforcement authority over coal ash through the establishment of EPA-approved state permit programs.

The interim final guidance addresses numerous questions EPA received about the provisions of the WIIN Act, establishes a framework to guide EPA's approval process and provides checklists to aid states as they are considering and developing their program submittals

Please see the press release, below, and the pre-publication version of the guidance at <https://www.epa.gov/coalash>. The Agency will take comments for 60 days after publication in the *Federal Register*. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

Jack Bowles

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EPA Issues Guidance on State Coal Ash Management Permit Programs

WASHINGTON (AUGUST 9, 2017) — Today, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released an interim final guidance to help states develop and submit permit programs for the safe management of coal combustion residuals (CCR), commonly known as coal ash, to EPA for review and approval. The current version of the guidance describes EPA's statutory interpretations and the way in which EPA generally intends to review State programs. As such, EPA encourages States to consult this interim final guidance as they develop and submit programs to EPA for review and approval.

"As part of EPA's ongoing commitment to cooperative federalism, we continue to consult with our state partners to find the best management strategy for the safe disposal of coal ash in each of their states," said **Administrator Scott Pruitt**. "We intend for this new guidance to help states by making the permit program approval process easier to navigate."

"EPA's action today makes the CCR authority application process clear and will put more states on track to obtain CCR authority efficiently," said **Executive Director and General Counsel of the Environmental Council of the States Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, Esq.** "With CCR authority at the state level, communities will have increased access to information about CCR management activities, and regulated facilities will have robust and streamlined compliance requirements."

In April 2015, EPA published a final rule regulating the management and disposal of CCR as nonhazardous waste from certain coal-fired power plants under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). Unlike other environmental laws that are implemented through EPA-approved state permit programs, RCRA generally does not provide for regulation of nonhazardous wastes such as CCR through permit programs, meaning the requirements of the CCR rule apply directly to regulated facilities and are enforceable through citizen suits.

Section 2301 of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act, which was enacted into law in December 2016, gives states the opportunity to act as the primary regulatory and enforcement authority over coal ash through the establishment of EPA-approved state permit programs. Under the WIIN Act, approved state permit programs must be as protective as the federal coal ash regulations, but state programs may provide flexibilities for facilities managing coal ash in their states. Implementing this new law is a high priority for EPA and earlier this year, Administrator Pruitt communicated with each of the governors encouraging them to develop a program and to work with EPA.

The interim final guidance released today addresses numerous questions EPA received about the provisions of the WIIN Act, establishes a framework to guide EPA's approval process and provides checklists to aid states as they are considering and developing their program submittals. EPA will accept public comments on the interim final guidance for 60 days following its publication in the Federal Register. EPA may update the guidance based on experience implementing the WIIN Act and comments received from the public.

To view a pre-publication version of the guidance and to learn how to submit comments, please visit:
<https://www.epa.gov/coalash>.

If you would rather not receive future communications from Environmental Protection Agency, let us know by clicking [here](#).
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To: AO-OCIR Everyone[AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov]; Skane, Elizabeth[Skane.Elizabeth@epa.gov]; Farrell, Ericka[Farrell.Ericka@epa.gov]
From: Nitsch, Chad
Sent: Thur 9/21/2017 6:36:44 PM
Subject: Catalan almonds from Barcelona at water cooler

Hey all,

Adding to our pretty amazing culinary experience this week, there are caramel-spiced almonds from the Palo Alto Market in Barcelona by the water cooler. I don't know Catalan, but luckily the company offer an English translation on their website.

Ras Hanout

These are our caramelized almonds combined with an exotic variety of spices species called "Ras el Hanout" that contains spices such as (curry, turmeric, cumin, saffron, coriander, etc.) making them ideal for as a good appetizer.

Enjoy!

Chad Nitsch

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From: Hannon, Arnita
Sent: Fri 8/18/2017 1:27:39 PM
Subject: Teleworking This Morning

Team-

I am teleworking this morning. I will be in the office early afternoon. Please reach me as needed.

Thank you!

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Sent from my iPhone

From: Scales, Wuanisha
Location: 3426- Front Office Bay
Importance: Normal
Subject: All hands
Start Date/Time: Fri 8/11/2017 6:00:00 PM
End Date/Time: Fri 8/11/2017 6:15:00 PM

Sneakerfest!!

From: Bowles, Jack
Sent: Thur 9/21/2017 6:34:51 PM
Subject: State & Local Weekly Report September 22, 2017



In this Issue:

Current and Upcoming Meetings and Events

Local Government Advisory Committee

Recap of Recent Events

WIFIA Conference Calls with Local Officials

On Thursday, September 21, WIFIA and OIR staff will conduct conference calls with representatives of several communities with interests in exploring potential WIFIA support for proposed water infrastructure projects. The local officials support the WIFIA program and appreciate that EPA welcomes feedback to ensure that the program is most responsive and serving the needs of communities that are eligible to apply.

Dan Child, General Manager, and Matt Anderson, CFO, Silicon Valley Clean Water, are interested in the WIFIA Selection Criteria, specifically, the “weight” (5%) given to “shovel ready” projects. These officials, and other communities represented by The Ferguson Group, believe that these types of projects should be given a higher percentage ranking – or more points - than what is currently assigned in the Selection Criteria for purposes of evaluation. Selection Criteria #9 follows: *“The readiness of the project to proceed toward development, including a demonstration by the prospective borrower that there is a reasonable expectation that the contracting process for construction of the project can commence by not later than 90 days after the date on which WIFIA credit assistance is obligated for the projects – 5 percent.”*

In a later conference call with WIFIA and OIR staff, the City of Escondido will be represented by Chris McKinney, Director of Utilities. The City has attempted to explore WIFIA support for its Wohlford Dam project. According to the city, the “up front” fees in the WIFIA Program proved to be cost prohibitive. The City is interested in whether EPA had incorporated corrections in the Program that might address their concerns, and make the use of WIFIA funds more economically feasible for the Dam project. OIR will report next week on how the WIFIA program is addressing the concerns raised on the conference calls. *(Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)*

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Briefing for Governors’ Offices on the Volkswagen Settlement Trust

On Monday, September 25, EPA staff from OECA, with support from OAR and OCIR, will update Governors’ office staff on the status of the VW Settlement Trust Agreement. Through a series of three partial settlements, the EPA and VW resolved allegations that VW violated the Clean Air act by selling approximately 590,000 vehicles equipped with defeat devices. As a part of the settlements, VW is required to provide \$2.7 billion for the 2.0 liter violating vehicles and \$225 million for the 3.0 liter violating vehicles to an Environmental Mitigation Trust to fully remediate the amount of excess NOx emissions from the illegal vehicles. The trust will be administered by an independent trustee, Wilmington Trust, N.A. The purpose of the mitigation trust is to fund eligible mitigation actions that replace diesel emission sources with cleaner technology to reduce excess emissions of oxides of nitrogen (NOX) caused by the violating cars. *See EPA, Securing Mitigation as Injunctive Relief in Certain Civil Enforcement Cases (2012).* This mitigation work is in addition to the emission reductions achieved by requiring Volkswagen to buy back or modify the violating cars.

The partial settlements are structured to provide the impacted states, territories, and Indian tribes with the ability to select and implement appropriate mitigation actions funded by Volkswagen. Appendix D-1 to the First Partial Consent Decree and the Mitigation Allocation Appendix to the Second Partial Consent Decree provide an initial allocation of the funds, under which no state receives less than \$8 million and Indian tribes receive a separate allocation of more than \$49 million. Appendix D-2 provides a broad array of mitigation actions that beneficiaries can implement. Beneficiaries must elect to become beneficiaries within 60 days of when the final trust agreements are filed with the Court (Trust Effective Date) which we anticipate will be October 3, 2017. Beneficiaries have 10 years from the Trust Effective Date to request their allocation and implement mitigation actions and tribal beneficiaries have six years from the Trust Effective Date to request their allocations *(Contact: Jack Bowles)*

EPA to Meet with Windsor, CA Local Officials

Mayor Debora Fudge and her team will meet with EPA on Friday, September 29 to discuss projects the city is considering supporting, including Brownfields, the Urban Waters Federal Partnership, and Water and Wastewater Infrastructure. Mayor Fudge and her staff have interacted with Region IX on the city's Brownfields priorities. The city is also interested in support for Flood Detention Basins. *(Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)*

EPA to Meet with Fort Wayne, IN Local Officials

On Monday, October 2, Office of Water staff will join OIR and Region V for a meeting with local Ft. Wayne officials to discuss the City's concerns with past EPA policies governing how water quality revisions made on the basis of Use Attainability Analyses (UAA) are integrated with enforcement of Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Long-Term Control Plans (LTCs). The meeting was previously scheduled for Tuesday, September 26. Ft. Wayne local officials requested the new date due to postponement of travel. The City has an ongoing interest in the use of the UAA as the basis for seeking a variance to the City's CSO LTCP. The local officials participating from Fort Wayne City Utilities will be Justin Brugger, Chief Financial Officer, and Matthew Wirtz, Deputy Director/Chief Engineer. *(Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)*

The Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) and Small Community Advisory Subcommittee (SCAS) nomination process for membership has entered the next stage. DFOs/OIR Staff are preparing to brief OCIR management on options to fill vacancies for the LGAC and SCAS in the coming week. The next steps in the membership process will be to review the ranking process, vet candidates, and conduct a comprehensive balance review for optimal representation of local, state, and tribal government interests as well as diversity.

OCIR Senior management will sign off prior to the Membership package proceeding to OGC and ODACMO review. EPA Regions will continue to receive updates. Their input will be sought before decisions are made on final candidates throughout the membership process. Meeting arrangements are also being prepared for a LGAC and SCAS face to face meeting at Headquarters EPA in the first or second week of December 2017. *(Contact: Fran Eargle/Demond Matthews)*

Harvard, IL Local Officials/EPA Meeting

On Wednesday, September 20, Mayor Michael Kelly and City Administrator Dave Nelson met with EPA to discuss the Harvard's planned infrastructure and community economic development projects. The city is interested was federal funding and partnerships to support the water and wastewater projects in particular since there is an immediate need for a new water/wastewater treatment plant. Harvard is a small community with a population just under 10,000. It is also an economically disadvantaged community with Empowerment Zone designation. However, with the lack of sufficient water infrastructure, it is difficult for the city to attract business and to take full advantage of Empowerment Zone partnerships.

OIR convened the Office of Water, the Water Infrastructure & Resiliency Finance Center, and Region V for the meeting. Mayor Kelly and his team appreciated the guidance and dialogue, including information highlighting the Finance Center's new Clearinghouse that has been developed to provide comprehensive information on sources of water infrastructure financing across Federal Agencies, and including Foundation and other private sector sources. Region V discussed the value of convening Federal Agencies to explore all areas of support as well. As follow-up, the Region has provided extensive State contact information, and additional background on the Clean Water SRF. OIR is managing the follow-up information flow. *(Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)*

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From: OEI Job Opportunity
Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 12:55:06 PM
Subject: Talent Hub Reassignment: eDiscovery Case Manager, GS-13



The following Talent Hub Lateral Reassignment announcement is located in the **Office of Environmental Information (OEI), Office of Enterprise Information Programs (OEIP), eDiscovery Division (EDD)**, in Washington, DC. Please share this announcement with anyone that you feel may be interested and meets the eligibility requirements. Click the link below for more information.

Title: [eDiscovery Case Manager](#)

Description:

The Office of Enterprise Information Programs (OEIP) plans to fill a vacancy in the eDiscovery Division (EDD). EDD provides support for Agency eDiscovery services, which are essential to develop responses to FOIA requests, congressional inquiries and litigation. The EDD works closely with program and regional offices across the Agency. The Division is also responsible for providing IT project and program management for eDiscovery services and developing, enhancing and maintaining the infrastructure and applications; implementing and promoting the use of eDiscovery tools; and developing and managing eDiscovery policies, procedures, guidance, solutions and services in collaboration with Agency legal counsel and other stakeholders.

The person selected for this detail will serve as an eDiscovery Case Manager in OEIP's eDiscovery Division and will be responsible for the day-to day eDiscovery case management and coordination work. The case manager will provide a single point of interface between the eDiscovery Assistance Team (eDAT) and the eDiscovery contract staff to address issues related to status, timing and nature of eDiscovery requests.

[More information on Talent Hub...]

LINK: [eDiscovery Case Manager](#)

Be sure to sign up for [Talent Hub](#) Opportunity Alerts, under “My Stuff” to receive emails when Talent Hub opportunities, that meet your criteria, are posted.

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From: Bowles, Jack
Sent: Fri 8/18/2017 12:34:35 PM
Subject: Telework Today

Good Morning and Happy Friday,

I am teleworking today and can be reached at the numbers below.

Best Regards,

Jack Bowles

Director of State & Local Relations

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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To: AO-OCIR Everyone[AOOCIR_Everyone@epa.gov]
From: Scales, Wuanisha
Sent: Thur 9/21/2017 5:41:38 PM
Subject: Updated OCIR Phone Directory (9/21/17)
OCIR Office Directory -final2 9-21-17.doc

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Ahhh man! I missed that but that was a need to know event.
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On Aug 24, 2017, at 4:09 PM, Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov> wrote:

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The following is our latest State & Local Weekly Update

Have a great weekend.

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EPA to Meet with Fontana, CA Local Officials

Mayor Aquanetta Warren and her team will be in Washington August 28, 2017. The mayor joined EPA's Engagement Session during the June US Conference of Mayors' Annual Meeting in Miami Beach, FL, and she expressed great appreciation for the dialogue with former DAA Bennett and other mayors. OIR Is working with Mayor Warren's staff to arrange the meeting, determine topics for discussion, and finalize EPA staff participation. Mayor Warren and other Fontana local officials last met with EPA in 2012 to discuss perchlorate contamination and water quality concerns. She continues her interest in protecting her city's water supply, and also in ensuring that water infrastructure needs are addressed. She expressed those interests in an EPA Engagement session during USCM's June 2016 Annual Meeting as well. More details on the meeting will be reported as they unfold.

(Contacts: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon and Preston Cory)

EPA to Meet with NLC Leadership

On Thursday, September 7, 2017 EPA Senior Leadership from OCIR, the Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM), and the Office of Water (OW) will meet with a delegation of National League of Cities leadership, including NLC President Matt Zone, Councilmember (Cleveland, OH), and Mayor Karen Freeman Wilson (Gary, IN), 2nd Vice President. Mayor Freeman Wilson is also a member of EPA's Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC). Mayor Pro Tem Hattie Portis Jones (Fairburn, GA), Vice Chair, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee, is also among the NLC delegation participating in the meeting. These key local leaders, representing a cross-section of communities from across the nation, have characterized this "Annual Fly In," as an opportunity to interact with Members of Congress and the Administration to ensure that federal policy issues and initiatives important to cities and towns remain a priority in the nation's capital. NLC CEO and Executive Director, Clarence Anthony, sent a formal invitation requesting that the delegation meet with Administrator Pruitt. As the

Administrator is not available, the NLC leaders appreciate the opportunity to engage with EPA leadership in his stead.

The leaders are seeking insight on how cities and towns and the Administration can partner to find solutions to the challenges facing their communities, including improving the nation's infrastructure, reducing regulatory burdens, and ensuring that the federal budget priorities meet the needs of their citizens and communities. They are looking forward to dialogue on priority areas of concern, including the Clean and Drinking Water SRFs; WIFIA; the Superfund and Brownfields Programs; and, how these priorities are reflected in the 2018 Budget Proposal.

In July 17, 2017 letters to both the President and the House Appropriations Committee Leadership, NLC discussed Infrastructure funding concerns, and reiterated its call for direct federal investment to address America's aging infrastructure, and the "people-to-infrastructure" shift. They expressed support for the Administration's proposed \$200 billion in federal incentives to drive private investment in large-scale infrastructure projects. They believe that cities are paying their significant share and are a working case study of what efficiency looks like in government. They reiterated the need for a partner in the federal government to overcome massive infrastructure needs, and their position that there is a need to double the current national investment pace as a country to fill the gap of aging infrastructure. They also stated their belief that the state and local tax deduction is at the heart of the intergovernmental relationship, serving as a vital tool that allows local governments the flexibility to raise needed revenues to support critical infrastructure such as water and sewer systems. The NLC leaders called for full investment in tools to support the public-private infrastructure (P3) model, including the CW and DW SRFs and WIFIA. They also pointed out that many barriers are still in place that hinder a federalized P3 system. Finally, in writing to the President, the NLC leaders supported regulatory streamlining, but cautioned that this effort should not preempt local governance. They also continued their support for the intergovernmental consultation process under the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (UMRA) in response to concerns that unfunded mandates impose additional disproportionate responsibilities on local governments without regard to the fiscal impact of federal policies.

The NLC's letter to the House Appropriations Committee Leadership thanked the committee for passing an Interior and Environment Appropriations Bill that preserves funding for city priorities such as water infrastructure and cleanup programs. However, concerns were expressed about funding reductions for the Clean Water SRF and WIFIA, and NLC's belief that these reductions will hinder local efforts to improve the nation's water infrastructure. The NLC leaders are looking forward to dialogue with a number of Federal Agencies, including EPA, while they are convening in Washington. (Contact: M.

Arnita Hannon Christmon)

MRCTI To Convene Annual Meeting in September

The Mississippi Rivers Cities and Towns Initiative will host its 6th Annual Meeting September 12–14, 2017, in St. Louis, MO. Mayors Chris Coleman (St. Paul, MN), and Belinda Constant (Gretna, LA), are MRCTI Co-Chairs. The Annual Meeting is co-hosted with the National Caucus of Environmental State Legislators. Twenty-four state legislators are expected from the ten state Mississippi River corridor. The mayors have requested that EPA provide remarks during the September 13th Opening Breakfast Session: “State 319 Water Pollution Control Plans and our Water Security.” Region VII’s Acting Director of the Water, Wetlands and Pesticides Division, will represent EPA. Senior Federal officials from the Delta Region Authority; Department of Transportation; FEMA; and, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will also participate in the conference.

According to the MRCTI Executive Director, the focus of the Breakfast session panel will involve a discussion about expanding the capacity of the Section 319 Water Pollution Control Grant Program to address Nutrient Loading. The Association is inviting the 319 Grant Plan writers for three Mississippi River states including MO, AR, and IA. The Mayors would like to discuss having the NRCS (USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service) as part of the 319 Grant state plan evaluation process. MRCTI member mayors see the 319 grant as a viable source of funding for work on reducing nutrient loading if the capacity is there. In their view, much like the Sustainable Communities Grant that involved application evaluations from multiple agencies, the 319 grant could bring-in NRCS. During the session, the mayors hope to hear from the States on how the Section 319 program can be approached more effectively to assist them in directing funds toward nutrient reduction efforts. The member mayors are trying to accomplish two objectives: 1) increase Section 319 Grant capacity to address nutrient loading on a broader scale; and, 2) align with the States, EPA, and NRCS to more effectively apply 319 Grants to nutrient reduction efforts. (Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)

EPA to Meet with Tualitin Hills Park and Recreation District (Beaverton, OR) Local Officials

Representatives of the Tualitin Hills Park and Recreation District will travel to Washington in September. They have requested to meet with EPA to discuss their continuing interest in health and environmental concerns with Synthetic Turf Infill. Doug Menke, General Manager, will lead the delegation as he did when the representatives last met with EPA in February 2016 to discuss this matter. The local officials have also met in previous years with EPA to discuss Environmental Education and Environmental Justice concerns.

In last year’s meeting, the local representatives noted that the district has a five year agreement with Field Turf as their sole source provider for the infill. Their agreement

includes the use of standard cryogenic rubber infill. The district was looking to change their practice and appreciated the opportunity to discuss this plan with EPA and to learn that EPA was conducting a study on Synthetic Turf Infill. At that time, public roll-out of the crumb research plan was pending scheduling. As such, ORD staff could not discuss the scope of the planned research. District officials understood that position, but noted that the discussion was still helpful.

In recent updates from EPA ORD, Mr. Menke has been informed about the status of the EPA Study. Mr. Menke inquired about the status since the District will be making infill decisions in early fall for two additional fields. ORD staff has informed that EPA continues to work toward completion of the study, and that, as updates are available to share, they will appear on the public EPA website. ORD still plans to complete the study by the end of the calendar year. Mr. Menke congratulated ORD on the progress, and reiterated the group's appreciation for last year's meeting with EPA. They look forward to more dialogue and updates when they meet with EPA in September. (Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)

EPA to Meet with Windsor, CA Local Officials

Mayor Debora Fudge is traveling to Washington toward the end of September. She will meet with EPA on September 29 to discuss projects the city is considering supporting, including Brownfields and Water and Wastewater Infrastructure. OIR will continue to work with the city's Washington representative to secure additional information on the city's projects of interest for the meeting with headquarters Program and Region IX staff. (Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)

The Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations (OCIR) continues its membership process to fill vacancies on the Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) and the Small Community Advisory Subcommittee (SCAS). The public solicitation for nominees closed on Thursday, August 10, 2017. EPA Regions continue to play a substantive role in recruiting and vetting new candidates for the LGAC. National intergovernmental organizations such as the National Association of Counties, National League of Cities and the National Association of State Department Agricultural provided

nominees. OCIR has received over 60 nominations from the wide search for nominees among intergovernmental organizations, trade associations, and non-governmental organizations.

(Contact: Fran Eargle/Demond Matthews)

EPA Meets with Jeffersonville, IN Local Officials

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On Wednesday, August 2, Len Ashack, Director of the Jeffersonville, IN, Wastewater Department, and Dale Orem, Vice President, Sanitary Sewer Board, met with OIR, OGC, OW, OECA, DOJ, and Region V staff to discuss the city's concerns about water infrastructure challenges, including the community's ability to finance Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) and Consent Decree requirements. The local officials discussed a number of infrastructure improvements and investments the city has made. They also shared their views that Jeffersonville residents face significant burdens as the city attempts to comply with Clean Water Act LTCP and Consent Decree requirements that have translated into increased sewer rates.

Mr. Ashack wrote to Region V and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) on May 24, 2017, to share the City's Financial Capability Assessment update, and to request a modification of the LTCP. The letter points out, among other concerns, that Jeffersonville's sewer rates are currently among the highest in the State. Residential customers comprise nearly 93% of all users, and many of these residents have incomes below the City's average Medium Household Income (MHI). According to city officials, The LTCP's affordability has diminished severely since it was approved in 2011 due to restraints on the City's bonding capacity and property tax levies, new regulatory requirements, and increased O&M costs, along with completion of a repair and replacement analysis. The local officials were encouraged that a number of "possible next steps" resulted from the August 2nd meeting, including an agreement for Region V and Mr. Ashack to work together on a meeting in Indianapolis that would involve the State, Region V, and the City of Jeffersonville to further the discussions. Following this meeting, plans will get underway for Region V to travel to Jeffersonville for more technical discussions and to continue the dialogue on the city's concerns. DOJ staff committed to continuing to work with the city as needed. OIR will coordinate the continued involvement of EPA Headquarters offices as needed. Mr. Ashack and Mr. Orem expressed great appreciation for the meeting, and noted their belief that the dialogue was productive. They look forward

to the upcoming meetings. (Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)

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From: Twillman, Brian
Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 12:03:24 PM
Subject: FW: August IT Training Webinar Schedule is Now Posted

Hello Everyone – The following information may be of interest.

- Brian Twillman

From: Ridings, Sharon
Sent: Wednesday, August 09, 2017 7:49 AM
To: EPA Learning Community
Subject: August IT Training Webinar Schedule Posted

Good morning all, I am just now receiving this information and want to pass on right away to you!

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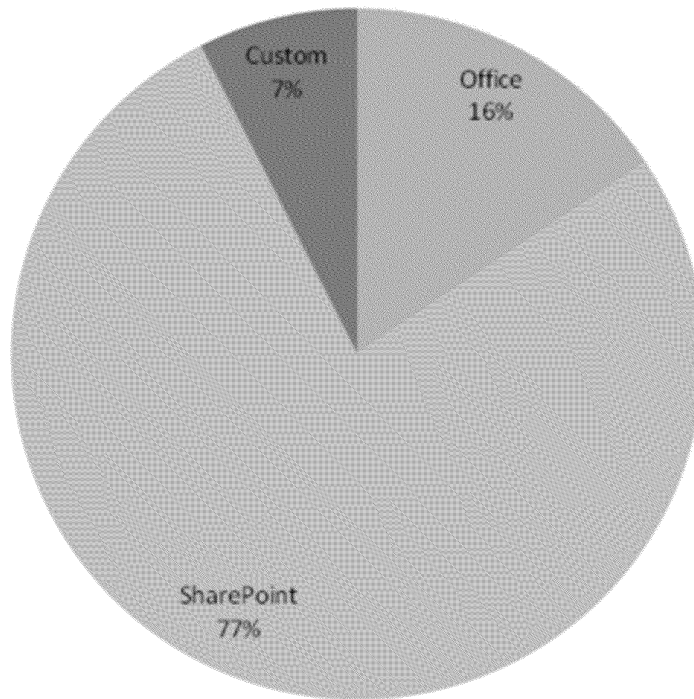
Training Attendance

In July 2017, 281 people attended 18 deliveries of instructor-led training. Average class size for each class was 18 attendees.

Training Attendance and Deliveries in July 2017

By category	Attendance	Deliveries	Avg. Class Size
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Mobile Devices	0	0	-
Office	44	1	44
Web Conferencing	0	0	-
Sharepoint	216	16	14
Custom	21	1	21
Total	281	18	16

July 2017 Instructor-Led Training Attendance by Category



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Subject: Reminder: AO's Telework Survey

Thank you for all those who've taken the survey. The WE Workgroup would like to hear from everyone in AO!

The survey is open until this Friday. Please see below for further details.

Scott W. Fraser

Deputy Director, Office of Public Engagement

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Subject: AO's Telework Survey is now available!

Good Morning AO Colleagues,

Please take a moment to fill out a short and anonymous survey about Telework that has been developed by your AO colleagues. This survey is part of AO's Workforce Engagement (WE) Workgroup ongoing efforts to improve employee engagement.

The survey will be open until Friday, August 18, 2017 and can be accessed here:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AOtelework>

Your input is important to get a better understanding of telework management and practices in AO. The survey data will be reviewed by the WE Workgroup and developed into recommendations for AO's senior leadership. If you have any questions regarding the survey or suggestions to bring to the WE Workgroup, please contact your Workgroup member(s).

Thank you for taking a few minutes to support employee engagement in AO!

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Mike Pence's real power move

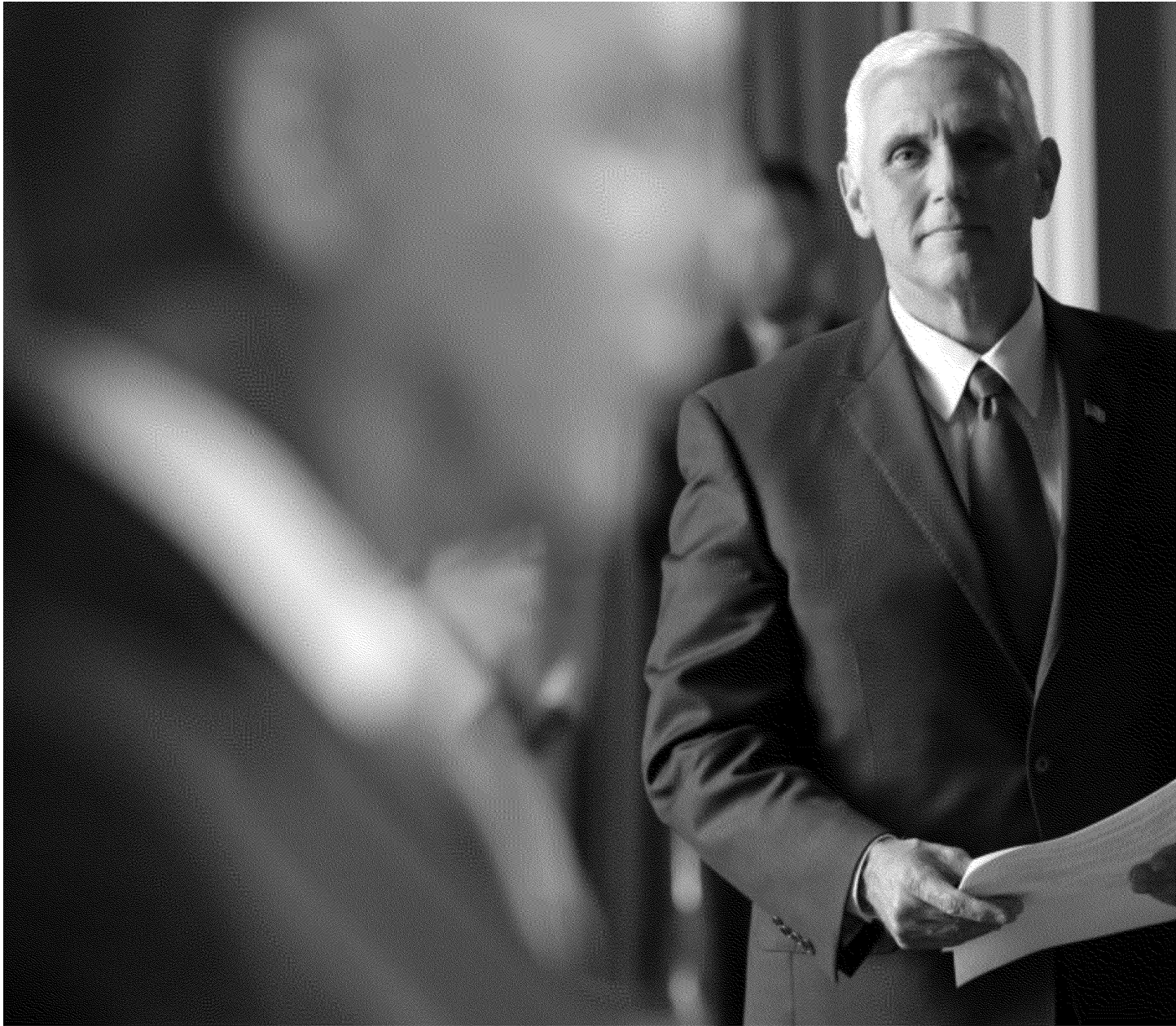
Amid White House staff changes, the vice president has replaced his long-serving chief of staff with sharp-elbowed political operative Nick Ayers.

By ELIANA JOHNSON

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During the campaign, Nick Ayers served as the chief conduit between Vice President Mike Pence and President Donald Trump. | Getty Images

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The vice president's office hasn't been one of the competing power centers in President Donald Trump's faction-riven White House — but the recent arrival of Nick Ayers, the veteran campaign operative now serving as Mike Pence's chief of staff, is starting to change that.

Ayers' hire, according to interviews with eight current and former administration officials, was less about a secret campaign to challenge Trump in 2020 and more about helping the vice president — who, at just 58, has a political future ahead of him in the post-Trump era — preserve his future political options, whatever they may be.

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A veteran political operative, Ayers had for months been quietly warning the vice president that Trump's troubles could cause collateral damage and that he needed to take a more aggressive posture on a range of issues to ensure he enters the post-Trump era on solid ground, according to two White House officials.

Ayers arrived in the West Wing as Reince Priebus, one of the few White House aides with Washington experience, was replaced as President Donald Trump's chief of staff by retired Marine Gen. John Kelly. Ayers, a 34-year-old Georgia native, replaced Josh Pitcock, the long-serving Pence aide distinguished by his quiet and inoffensive manner.

Among the reasons Ayers didn't join the White House in January was a long-running feud with Priebus, who reportedly blocked Ayers' ascension to the chairmanship of the Republican National Committee in December and, according to one White House aide, worked to keep him out of the administration. Priebus has said the decision was not personal — that he considers Ayers a friend and wanted him in Washington — but that he wanted his successor to be a member of the RNC.

Last week's passing of the baton from Priebus to Kelly and from Pitcock to Ayers has heralded broader changes in the White House — reining in presidential aides and prompting more assertiveness from the vice president's allies.

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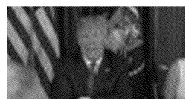
With the exception of political director Bill Stepien, a former Chris Christie aide, the political operation is now staffed almost entirely by Pence World operatives — from Ayers himself to congressional liaison Marc Short, who moonlights as a surrogate to top-dollar donors, to former Pence aide Marty Obst, who is leading the super PAC charged with supporting the administration and hammering its enemies.

It wasn't just Pence who wanted Ayers back in the West Wing. Among those encouraging him to join the White House staff were Trump son-in-law Jared Kushner and chief strategist Steve Bannon, as well as the president's son, Don Jr., with all of whom he worked closely during the campaign, where he served as the chief conduit between Pence World and Trump Tower. "Nick previously served as a key asset contributing to the success of the campaign and is a great addition to the team," Kushner told POLITICO in a statement.

White House spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders added: "The vice president is committed and dedicated to helping the president and assisting him in helping his agenda and committed to his reelection in 2020."

Ayers is a schmoozer whose crisis-management skills the vice president has come to rely on. Given their close relationship, several administration officials said that his hiring was unsurprising. Nobody was more frustrated than Ayers, for example, at the sluggish response to reports that National Security Adviser Michael Flynn had deceived Pence about his meetings with former Russian ambassador Sergey Kislyak — including the vice president himself, according to a person familiar with the situation — and Ayers has consistently pushed Pence to get off his hind legs and show some attitude.

During the campaign, Ayers served at Bannon's behest as the chief conduit between Pence World and the president's core team, working with them on the vice presidential vetting process, for example — and spent the last two weeks of the race traveling with the president. "He's a Trump guy," Bannon said.



Trump's 'fire and fury' threat to North Korea sparks new fears of war

By BRYAN BENDER and JACQUELINE KLIMAS

But some members of the administration felt that the synergy between the two worlds that developed on the campaign trail evaporated with Ayers' absence from the White House, even though he's been spending two days a week in Washington since November.

Ayers declined to comment for this piece, as did a spokesman for Pence.

Though they have grown close over the past three years, some who know the vice president well say that Ayers is a departure from the sort of aides with whom the vice president typically surrounds himself. “Throughout his career, he has consciously surrounded himself with people who are not super political,” according to Ryan Streeter, who served as deputy chief of staff for Pence during his time as Indiana governor, when he would scold aides he overheard strategizing in the office for “playing politics.”

“He has always trusted his own political instincts,” Streeter said.

On the campaign trail and for much of his time in the White House, Pence has gone out of his way to be a loyal lieutenant — serving as the first line of defense for the president on a range of crises, often at the expense of his own credibility, and keeping his head down during internal policy battles. He stayed quiet even on issues close to his heart, like the executive order on religious liberty that Trump signed in May, according to a senior White House aide.



Nick Ayers and Kellyanne Conway arrive at Trump Tower on Dec. 8 in New York City. | Drew Angerer/Getty Images

Pitcock, who is reserved by nature, did little to check those impulses. Though he had spent a dozen years by Pence’s side, the vice president — who harbors ambition for a political future beyond the Trump administration — found himself pining for Ayers’ sharp elbows amid the daily turmoil of the administration and called him frequently for advice

and counsel.

White House aides say the vice president does seem to have gotten a jolt of energy. He has for the first time taken substantive positions on some of the most controversial debates within the administration. In response to entreaties from National Security Adviser H.R. McMaster, he has become a key voice in favor of increasing U.S. troop levels in Afghanistan, helping to build consensus within the administration and to make the case to the president. An aide to the vice president disputed that characterization, saying that Pence is serving as an honest broker between the various factions and is not advocating for any particular outcome.

“For the first six months of the administration, Pence was sort of afraid to take any sort of substantive position on anything, in any deliberations,” said a senior White House aide. Sanders disputed that characterization, telling POLITICO she had seen the vice president weigh in on internal policy debates, though she declined to name any.

Pence has also been quietly ramping up his political activity, cultivating Republican donors at small private dinners and headlining an event alongside Ivanka Trump that raised more than a million dollars for Republican candidates. His outreach to the party’s wealthiest donors doesn’t require much political calculation: It’s an area that Trump, who has little interest in glad-handing deep-pocketed donors, has left wide open for him.

Pence, for example, has longstanding ties to the Koch brothers’ political network, which was a strong supporter of his governorship but stayed on the sidelines of the 2016 election due to widespread opposition among donors to Trump’s candidacy. Short, whose adorns his office with Pence paraphernalia, is a former president of the group that oversees the Koch brothers’ political activism, which has declined over the past 18 months.



New Jersey gives Trump a chilly reception

By MATT FRIEDMAN

Few believe there’s a conceivable chance that Pence — whose loyalty to Trump has at times bordered on obsequiousness — would launch a primary campaign against him in 2020. He denied a New York Times report over the weekend that he was eyeing a presidential campaign, which he called not only “categorically false” but “disgraceful and offensive to me, my family, and our entire team” — though Ayers’ aggressiveness was evident in the vigor of his response.

“The guy’s not stupid, he’s smart, and he’s proven pretty well that he’s loyal to Trump,” said Stanley Hubbard, a Minnesota billionaire and longtime Republican donor. “I think it’d ridiculous to think that he’d be so foolish.”

But there's little doubt the 58-year-old vice president harbors ambitions for a political future after Trump. A former radio talk-show host, Pence has spent most of his professional life in politics — a dozen years in Congress and four in the governor's mansion, where he fielded entreaties to run for president from leaders of the tea party movement as well as from some of the party's leading intellectuals — first in in 2012 and again in 2016.

Ayers is around to ensure that if Trump is out of the picture for one reason or another his man will be ready. He is elbowing his way into meetings at which the vice president was previously unrepresented and, while Pitcock would limit himself to delivering brief updates on Pence's upcoming events, Ayers freely shares his views on the White House's messaging and political strategy. He is making himself a ubiquitous figure, pacing the hallways, talking on his cellphone.

"He walks around like he owns the place," said a senior White House aide.

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Local Government Advisory Committee

Recap of Recent Events

EPA to Meet with Fontana, CA Local Officials

Mayor Aquanetta Warren and her team will be in Washington August 28, 2017. The mayor joined EPA's Engagement Session during the June US Conference of Mayors' Annual Meeting in Miami Beach, FL, and she expressed great appreciation for the dialogue with former DAA Bennett and other mayors. OIR Is working with Mayor Warren's staff to arrange the meeting,

determine topics for discussion, and finalize EPA staff participation. Mayor Warren and other Fontana local officials last met with EPA in 2012 to discuss perchlorate contamination and water quality concerns. She continues her interest in protecting her city's water supply, and also in ensuring that water infrastructure needs are addressed. She expressed those interests in an EPA Engagement session during USCM's June 2016 Annual Meeting as well. More details on the meeting will be reported as they unfold.

(Contacts: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon and Preston Cory)

EPA to Meet with NLC Leadership

On Thursday, September 7, 2017 EPA Senior Leadership from OCIR, the Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM), and the Office of Water (OW) will meet with a delegation of National League of Cities leadership, including NLC President Matt Zone, Councilmember (Cleveland, OH), and Mayor Karen Freeman Wilson (Gary, IN), 2nd Vice President. Mayor Freeman Wilson is also a member of EPA's Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC).

Mayor Pro Tem Hattie Portis Jones (Fairburn, GA), Vice Chair, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee, is also among the NLC delegation participating in the meeting.

These key local leaders, representing a cross-section of communities from across the nation, have characterized this "Annual Fly In," as an opportunity to interact with Members of Congress and the Administration to ensure that federal policy issues and initiatives important to cities and towns remain a priority in the nation's capital. NLC CEO and Executive Director, Clarence Anthony, sent a formal invitation requesting that the delegation meet with Administrator Pruitt. As the Administrator is not available, the NLC leaders appreciate the opportunity to engage with EPA leadership in his stead.

The leaders are seeking insight on how cities and towns and the Administration can partner to find solutions to the challenges facing their communities, including improving the nation's infrastructure, reducing regulatory burdens, and ensuring that the federal budget priorities meet the needs of their citizens and communities. They are looking forward to dialogue on priority areas of concern, including the Clean and Drinking Water SRFs; WIFIA; the Superfund and Brownfields Programs; and, how these priorities are reflected in the 2018 Budget Proposal.

In July 17, 2017 letters to both the President and the House Appropriations Committee Leadership, NLC discussed Infrastructure funding concerns, and reiterated its call for direct federal investment to address America's aging infrastructure, and the "people-to-infrastructure" shift. They expressed support for the Administration's proposed \$200 billion in federal incentives to drive private investment in large-scale infrastructure projects. They believe that cities are paying their significant share and are a working case study of what efficiency looks like in government. They reiterated the need for a partner in the federal government to overcome

massive infrastructure needs, and their position that there is a need to double the current national investment pace as a country to fill the gap of aging infrastructure. They also stated their belief that the state and local tax deduction is at the heart of the intergovernmental relationship, serving as a vital tool that allows local governments the flexibility to raise needed revenues to support critical infrastructure such as water and sewer systems. The NLC leaders called for full investment in tools to support the public-private infrastructure (P3) model, including the CW and DW SRFs and WIFIA. They also pointed out that many barriers are still in place that hinder a federalized P3 system. Finally, in writing to the President, the NLC leaders supported regulatory streamlining, but cautioned that this effort should not preempt local governance. They also continued their support for the intergovernmental consultation process under the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (UMRA) in response to concerns that unfunded mandates impose additional disproportionate responsibilities on local governments without regard to the fiscal impact of federal policies.

The NLC's letter to the House Appropriations Committee Leadership thanked the committee for passing an Interior and Environment Appropriations Bill that preserves funding for city priorities such as water infrastructure and cleanup programs. However, concerns were expressed about funding reductions for the Clean Water SRF and WIFIA, and NLC's belief that these reductions will hinder local efforts to improve the nation's water infrastructure. The NLC leaders are looking forward to dialogue with a number of Federal Agencies, including EPA, while they are convening in Washington. (Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)

MRCTI To Convene Annual Meeting in September

The Mississippi Rivers Cities and Towns Initiative will host its 6th Annual Meeting September 12–14, 2017, in St. Louis, MO. Mayors Chris Coleman (St. Paul, MN), and Belinda Constant (Gretna, LA), are MRCTI Co-Chairs. The Annual Meeting is co-hosted with the National Caucus of Environmental State Legislators. Twenty-four state legislators are expected from the ten state Mississippi River corridor. The mayors have requested that EPA provide remarks during the September 13th Opening Breakfast Session: "State 319 Water Pollution Control Plans and our Water Security." Region VII's Acting Director of the Water, Wetlands and Pesticides Division, will represent EPA. Senior Federal officials from the Delta Region Authority; Department of Transportation; FEMA; and, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will also participate in the conference.

According to the MRCTI Executive Director, the focus of the Breakfast session panel will involve a discussion about expanding the capacity of the Section 319 Water Pollution Control Grant Program to address Nutrient Loading. The Association is inviting the 319 Grant Plan writers for three Mississippi River states including MO, AR, and IA. The Mayors would like to discuss having the NRCS (USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service) as part of the 319 Grant state plan evaluation process. MRCTI member mayors see the 319 grant as a viable source of funding for work on reducing nutrient loading if the capacity is there. In their view, much like the

Sustainable Communities Grant that involved application evaluations from multiple agencies, the 319 grant could bring-in NRCS. During the session, the mayors hope to hear from the States on how the Section 319 program can be approached more effectively to assist them in directing funds toward nutrient reduction efforts. The member mayors are trying to accomplish two objectives: 1) increase Section 319 Grant capacity to address nutrient loading on a broader scale; and, 2) align with the States, EPA, and NRCS to more effectively apply 319 Grants to nutrient reduction efforts. (Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)

EPA to Meet with Tualitin Hills Park and Recreation District (Beaverton, OR) Local Officials

Representatives of the Tualitin Hills Park and Recreation District will travel to Washington in September. They have requested to meet with EPA to discuss their continuing interest in health and environmental concerns with Synthetic Turf Infill. Doug Menke, General Manager, will lead the delegation as he did when the representatives last met with EPA in February 2016 to discuss this matter. The local officials have also met in previous years with EPA to discuss Environmental Education and Environmental Justice concerns.

In last year's meeting, the local representatives noted that the district has a five year agreement with Field Turf as their sole source provider for the infill. Their agreement includes the use of standard cryogenic rubber infill. The district was looking to change their practice and appreciated the opportunity to discuss this plan with EPA and to learn that EPA was conducting a study on Synthetic Turf Infill. At that time, public roll-out of the crumb research plan was pending scheduling. As such, ORD staff could not discuss the scope of the planned research. District officials understood that position, but noted that the discussion was still helpful.

In recent updates from EPA ORD, Mr. Menke has been informed about the status of the EPA Study. Mr. Menke inquired about the status since the District will be making infill decisions in early fall for two additional fields. ORD staff has informed that EPA continues to work toward completion of the study, and that, as updates are available to share, they will appear on the public EPA website. ORD still plans to complete the study by the end of the calendar year. Mr. Menke congratulated ORD on the progress, and reiterated the group's appreciation for last year's meeting with EPA. They look forward to more dialogue and updates when they meet with EPA in September. (Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)

EPA to Meet with Windsor, CA Local Officials

Mayor Debora Fudge is traveling to Washington toward the end of September. She will meet with EPA on September 29 to discuss projects the city is considering supporting, including Brownfields and Water and Wastewater Infrastructure. OIR will continue to work with the city's Washington representative to secure additional information on the city's projects of

interest for the meeting with headquarters Program and Region IX staff. (Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)

The Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations (OCIR) continues its membership process to fill vacancies on the Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) and the Small Community Advisory Subcommittee (SCAS). The public solicitation for nominees closed on Thursday, August 10, 2017. EPA Regions continue to play a substantive role in recruiting and vetting new candidates for the LGAC. National intergovernmental organizations such as the National Association of Counties, National League of Cities and the National Association of State Department Agricultural provided nominees. OCIR has received over 60 nominations from the wide search for nominees among intergovernmental organizations, trade associations, and non-governmental organizations.

(Contact: Fran Eargle/Demond Matthews)

EPA Meets with Jeffersonville, IN Local Officials

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On Wednesday, August 2, Len Ashack, Director of the Jeffersonville, IN, Wastewater Department, and Dale Orem, Vice President, Sanitary Sewer Board, met with OIR, OGC, OW, OECA, DOJ, and Region V staff to discuss the city's concerns about water infrastructure challenges, including the community's ability to finance Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) and Consent Decree requirements. The local officials discussed a number of infrastructure improvements and investments the city has made. They also shared their views that Jeffersonville residents face significant burdens as the city attempts to comply with Clean Water Act LTCP and Consent Decree requirements that have translated into increased sewer rates.

Mr. Ashack wrote to Region V and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) on May 24, 2017, to share the City's Financial Capability Assessment update, and to request a modification of the LTCP. The letter points out, among other concerns, that Jeffersonville's sewer rates are currently among the highest in the State. Residential customers comprise nearly 93% of all users, and many of these residents have incomes below the City's average Medium Household Income (MHI). According to city officials, The LTCP's affordability has diminished severely since it was approved in 2011 due to restraints on the City's bonding capacity and property tax levies, new regulatory requirements, and increased O&M costs, along with completion of a repair and replacement analysis. The local officials were encouraged that a number of "possible next steps" resulted from the August 2nd meeting, including an agreement for Region V and Mr. Ashack to work together on a meeting in Indianapolis that would involve the State, Region V, and the City of Jeffersonville to further the discussions. Following this meeting, plans will get underway for Region V to travel to Jeffersonville for more technical discussions and to continue the dialogue on the city's concerns. DOJ staff committed to continuing to work with the city as needed. OIR will coordinate the continued involvement of EPA Headquarters offices as needed. Mr. Aschack and Mr. Orem expressed great appreciation for the meeting, and noted their belief that the dialogue was productive. They look forward to the upcoming meetings. (Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon)

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Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 2:42:34 AM
Subject: MAX Password Expiration -- Today

Dear Layne Bangerter,

Your password for MAX Homepage Applications will expire tonight (August 8, 2017) at midnight. To change your password now, please click:

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Thank you.

The MAX Support Team

To: Matthews, Demond[matthews.demond@epa.gov]
Cc: Bowles, Jack[Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Hanson, Andrew
Sent: Fri 8/18/2017 12:52:41 AM
Subject: Fwd: Reminder: Disaster Response Webinar

Mondo- Might be good training.

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To: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Forsgren, Lee
Sent: Mon 8/14/2017 7:36:30 PM
Subject: Re: Meeting-Lead and Copper Rule

Layne,

Stuck in a meeting. Will be there in about 10 minutes.

Lee

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 14, 2017, at 1:43 PM, Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov> wrote:

Yes. Thanks. Andrew and I will be here.

From: Forsgren, Lee
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 1:39 PM
To: Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting-Lead and Copper Rule

Layne,

I can come at 3:30 pm. I presume you are in the North building with the rest of the OCIG staff?

Lee

From: Bangerter, Layne
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 1:36 PM
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting-Lead and Copper Rule

Can you come to my office at 3:30 PM today? Room 3442. Thanks

From: Forsgren, Lee
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 1:31 PM
To: Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting-Lead and Copper Rule

Sure. This afternoon from 3:30-5:00 pm or Friday from Noon -2:30 work best for me.

From: Bangerter, Layne
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 1:24 PM
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Subject: Meeting-Lead and Copper Rule

Would you be able to meet with me and Andrew Hanson about Lead and Copper Rule this week? Thanks! Layne

To: Pruitt, Scott[Pruitt.Scott@epa.gov]
Cc: Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]
From: Pete Thorson
Sent: Wed 8/9/2017 6:18:48 PM
Subject: WOTUS issues in Wisconsin

Good afternoon Administrator Pruitt,

I'm Pete Thorson... I have been in a 4 yr. ordeal here in Wisconsin. To get a 64 ac. parcel of property approved by the Army Corps of Engineers for the development of a Business Park for the City of Tomah. I understand you were recently in Iowa to discuss "WOTUS" issues. And may be making plans to do the same in other states. I encourage you to come to Wisconsin and visit with Property Owners "caught in the middle" like me , Farmers and Business Owners. I know Gov. Walker, Sec. Stepp of the DNR and Atty. General Schimel would all welcome some input on WOTUS.

Please contact me if you have any future plans to WI. Or neighboring states

Sincerely, Pete Thorson

From: Howard, James
Sent: Thur 8/24/2017 7:15:19 PM
Subject: Please READ Information--Update to Social Media Policy--This is SPAM

Good Afternoon,

Please do not open this email. This is SPAM and is being investigated by OEI. Thanks for your attention to this. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Have a great day.

"Service First, People Always"

James T. Howard

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From: Ferris, Lena
Sent: Thursday, August 24, 2017 12:15 PM

To: Howard, James <Howard.James@epa.gov>; CSIRC-Alerts <CSIRC-Alerts@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Important Update to Social Media Policy

FYI – please check legitimacy of this email.

From: Human Resources [<mailto:HumanResources@mail.webproxysecurity.com>]
Sent: Thursday, August 24, 2017 11:03 AM
To: Ferris, Lena <Ferris.Lena@epa.gov>
Subject: Important Update to Social Media Policy

Agency leadership has decided to institute new social media policies. Due to recent events in the news we are going to start blocking many of the popular social media sites for employees who do not need them for justified, business purposes.

We need your help to determine if you utilize social media and how you feel about this policy change. We have created a portal page on our internal network to get each employee's usage of social media so we can determine which policy should be applied to your workstation. Please [visit the Portal Page](#) and complete this survey.

Your participation is mandatory and this survey must be completed in the next five business days so we can compile results before the default block policy is applied.

Thank you,
Office of Human Resources

To: Eargle, Frances[Eargle.Frances@epa.gov]
Cc: Matthews, Demond[matthews.demond@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack[Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Cory, Preston (Katherine)[Cory.Preston@epa.gov]; Bangerter, Layne[bangerter.layne@epa.gov]; Hanson, Andrew[Hanson.Andrew@epa.gov]; Scott, Sonya[scott.sonya@epa.gov]
From: Hannon, Arnita
Sent: Tue 8/8/2017 11:52:50 PM
Subject: Re: LGAC - Consideration for Service: Full LGAC or Workgroups

My pleasure!

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 8, 2017, at 7:13 PM, Eargle, Frances <Eargle.Frances@epa.gov> wrote:

Arnita,

THANK YOU!!!

Fran

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 8, 2017, at 5:31 PM, Hannon, Arnita <Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov> wrote:

FINALLYYYY!!!

Hi and thanks again for allowing me to share some ‘bright stars’ with you as you move along with the LGAC membership solicitation process. I know it goes without saying that the following communities and their leaders, despite the limited resources and challenges that all communities of all sizes and demographics face, continue to: demonstrate firm commitments to protecting public health and the environment; promote both economically vibrant and sustainable communities; support effective federal, state, local, and private partnerships; and, in many cases, strive to – or have become - models of best practices. They all share EPA’s mission for communities, and all also believe that communities must invest in infrastructure and innovations – supported by effective partnerships - to meet regulatory and legal requirements to protect the health of their cities and towns. And per your suggestion, I have starred*** the ones who might be considered for any kind of future “Best Practices Workgroup,” for they have demonstrated success in this critical area AND a willingness to share with other communities. I’ve tried to maintain diversity by covering as many regions and demographics as I can – AND by moving beyond just my mayors and into Water Directors and Supervisors in some cases. But all outstanding I have to say. I’ll get the links out to these folks or their reps (FR, and any other links you all would want me to share with them). Each, I KNOW would be humbled and willing to be considered

for service in any capacity you all deem appropriate. Thanks as always for allowing your teammates to make recommendations! Here goes:

***= Best Practices/Success Stories

@= Small Community

&=medium size community

1. **Nancy Keller, Director of Water and Wastewater** – **Pueblo, CO** (Water Workgroup) *Nancy is part of a wonderful group of very dedicated local officials who are demonstrating a real commitment to addressing the selenium and sulfate challenges even though the city is suffering from economic stress. She has an amazing grasp of the issues, and reflects the strong sense of mission the city has to protect the environment and to protect the public health of its residents. A very valuable resource for the Water Workgroup Nancy would be, or for the general LGAC membership. [7]*

2. *****Supervisor Judi Bosworth** – **North Hempstead, NY**: *Supervisor Bosworth and her team have been especially innovative in approaches to stormwater management, including conducting house-by house inventories to address illicit discharges, and determining how to eliminate these discharges. They have also invested in a significant public awareness campaign as part of encouraging increased awareness of environmental stewardship. The town's Stormwater Awareness Campaign, "Only Rain in the Drain," has been received overwhelmingly by the community. When they met with us in July, Supervisor Bosworth and her team were proud to share a viewing of the campaign's enjoyable but compelling video (featuring the "Stormwater Police," played by the town's Public Affairs Director) during the meeting. EPA staff applauded the video and noted that this should certainly add to the success of the campaign. I have shared this video with both internal colleagues, USCM, NLC, and AAMA, and truly, this is a product that can be applied to almost any community, and, in one word of feedback, should be shown nationally – like during the Superbowl☺. A tremendous voice for the Water Workgroup or general LGAC membership. [2]*

3. *** **Mayor Jim Brainard**- **Carmel, IN**: *Chairs USCM's Energy Independence & Climate Protection Task Force. Passionate advocate for Sustainable Communities, and has absolutely employed an incredible number of innovations – including Green Infrastructure, and other approaches – in turning Carmel into a magnificent example of Best Practices (took the tour during the 2016 USCM Summer Meeting as the mayor bussed the entire conference over to Carmel). A long-time proponent of things like "Round Abouts" and other innovations and a strong voice for economically and environmentally robust communities. [5]*

4. **Mayor Carmen Freeman** – **Harriman City, UT:** *-Yet another strong voice for communities employing innovations and using partnerships effectively to promote economic growth, environmental protection, and sustainability. He continues his efforts to promote reuse and re-development of the Kennecott Mining Site through programs like Brownfields. I think Mayor Carmen's name has come up before (yep I've sent it forward in the past), but perhaps we have not had a slot. But he'd fit wonderfully on the Clean-up Committee, but would serve wherever you need him. [8]*

5. *****Mayor Sean Ford** – **Commerce City, CO** – Successful clean-up of Rocky Mountain Arsenal chemical weapons manufacturing facility. After clean-up, much of the property was used to establish the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge. Next steps: The National Defense Authorization Act (NDA) for FY '17 included a provision (the Rocky Mountain Arsenal Amendment) that allows for an environmental assessment to evaluate the removal of deed restrictions that prohibit the development of revitalization projects supported by the city. The law now allows the city to move forward with its development plans – following an environmental review. *Mayor Ford applauds the continuing partnership between the City and EPA that resulted in the successful clean-up, and now they look forward to working with EPA to explore how the Agency might support the soil testing/verification so that their vision to pursue appropriate residential, commercial and possibly agricultural uses for the former arsenal property within their municipal jurisdiction.* They also look forward to partnering with EPA in the redevelopment and re-use efforts, including potential Brownfields, Green Infrastructure, and Sustainable Communities Program support. [8]

6. *****Mayor Jim Gray** – **Lexington, KY:** *Mayor Gray brings extraordinary enthusiasm and leadership to his city, and during a meeting with us in July, briefed and updated on the remarkable progress being made on the city's Consent Decree.* He characterized the efforts associated with related projects as an opportunity to demonstrate that the city can become a model for innovative approaches to meeting the terms, and environmental protection challenges. Mayor Gray has been personally involved in all of the efforts, including meeting weekly with the Consent Decree Project Manager, and focusing on key areas like schedule, budget, planning, design and engineering. The city has invested significantly – up to \$156 million to date – in projects to address the clean water infrastructure needs, and the requirements of the Consent Decree – one of the most significant investments in a number of years. They are on schedule and under budget by \$80.2M (to date) in meeting the obligations under the CD. *Mayor Gray and his team have expressed deep appreciation to EPA for the many partnerships with the Agency, and other federal Agencies that have been, as they say, extremely vital to the success of several projects the city has supported over the years, including Brownfields. Mayor Gray and his team believe in the value of strong federal, state, local, and private partnerships. They praised Region VI and continued partnerships in Brownfields and other areas. EPA staff congratulated the city on its outstanding work. Some of the great successes due to public/private partnerships include the Town Branch Project.* This project is set to become the keystone of the

city, bringing nature into the downtown landscape. The Lexington Fayette Unified County Government (LFUCG) has had tremendous success in securing low-interest loans through the CWSRF. [6]

7. **Mayor Carmen Ramirez – Oxnard, CA** – *Ramirez continues to be a passionate advocate for successful clean-up of the Halaco Superfund Site. She strongly supports EPA's partnership with her city in this effort, and meets annually with headquarters to express deep appreciation to Region IX and progress to date, emphasize the importance of effective federal, state and local partnerships, and to discuss her vision for future reuse of the area. She characterizes Region IX as a "great partner."* During her most recent meeting with EPA, she extended a verbal invitation for the Administrator to visit the site and observe the opportunity for reuse that lies ahead. [9]

8. **Supervisor Don Nottell – Sacramento County, CA**: The Supervisor is a great leader of the Delta Counties Coalition. *They advocate strongly for effective partnerships involving multiple federal and state agencies to address water management and ecosystem restoration. They support WIFIA, as well as BuRec grant programs to provide robust levels of competitive cost-shared partnerships for a wide range of water supply and water management projects.* Overall, they continue to support existing and additional federal grant and loan programs that can help enhance and rebuild the State's water infrastructure. They are also advocates for integrated regional water management, water recycling, and water reclamation and reuse. [9]

9. **&***Mayor Harold Perrin – Jonesboro, AR** - *A passionate advocate for communities and employing innovations to protect public health and the environment, and to boost the economy. The city is looking to use Brownfields support for six sites currently being assessed by ADEQ.* Mayor Perrin has worked closely with our Brownfields Program and OBLR and Regional staff have applauded his leadership and vision. The city stands ready to clean up the identified sites, and return them to productive use. He points proudly to what the city has been able to accomplish with EPA's funding support to date. Leading a community of 67,000, Mayor Perrin brings a great voice for meeting challenges through effective partnerships. [6]

10. *****Mayor Lucy Vims – Eugene, OR**: *Mayor Vims is new to her position and brings high energy and vision for promoting economic development, infrastructure, and transportation investments, and continuing to restore the city's Riverfront. She and her team have noted that EPA has been a great partner to the city. Mayor Vims joins many of our great mayors in a willingness to share Best Practices that have brought some significant successes to her city and surrounding areas through collaboration and regional approaches.* Brownfields support will play a key role in continuing efforts to promote this sustainable community. She and The United Front Partners of Lane County, OR met with EPA and briefed staff on the comprehensive vision they have created to build on the regional strengths, complement the region's economic drivers, leverage existing resources, and establish a lasting legacy for their community. Such passion for ensuring the best quality of life for all residents was on

full display as the team outlined some of their efforts, and successes. Key successes through public/private partnerships (including support from EPA, DOT, and other Agencies, along with private foundations and other private entities) include: Riverfront Redevelopment, including the Riverfront and Innovation District (enhances the region's global competitiveness; connects downtown to the Willamette River; creates an active place to work and live). Partnership with the University of Oregon: The Phil and Penny Knight Campus for Accelerating Scientific Impact is a \$1 billion initiative designed to fast-track scientific discoveries into innovations, products, or cures to improve the quality of life for people in Oregon and throughout the world. First phase of construction scheduled for completion in 2020. Restoration Project: Franklin Boulevard Corridor links Eugene and Springfield, while providing direct access to the Willamette River Confluence. The restoration ensures clean and cool water flowing into the urbanized regions downstream and serves as an important linkage to recreational trails that access south Eugene, the Willamalane Park and Recreation District, and even the Pacific Crest Trail. [see great brochure highlighting projects on display outside of my cubie☺} [10]

11. **@Mayor Anne P. Stedman: Newton, NC:** *Mayor Stedman is yet another passionate visionary who brings great commitment to ensuring that the needs of the residents of this small community near Charlotte are addressed, despite the devastating job losses and population decline that have plagued this city of 12,000 over the years.* She and her team are now welcoming economic development opportunities being created by a highway expansion (NC 16) that will reduce travel time between Newton and Charlotte to less than 30 minutes. Looking ahead, however, they are facing the challenges that will come with anticipated growth and they are laying a firm foundation to be prepared with adequate infrastructure in place for a sustainable community. They are taking a proactive approach to seeking meaningful partnerships with Federal Agencies to support their revitalization efforts, And they are committed to dedicating necessary local resources to the extent that they can. Priorities: Main Street Revitalization and Infrastructure Project; Funding needs to renovate the town's Wastewater Treatment Plant; Stormwater Rehabilitation. *What a great mayor for SCAS!* [4]

12. **Mayor David Langfelder: Springfield, IL:** This mayor and this team are supporting protection of the water quality for Lake Springfield, as well as a secondary source of water for the city. Lake Springfield is the current water supply lake, and they are looking to supplement the water supply. The city has proposed the Springfield Supplemental Water Supply Project that involves building a lake. A 404 permit (for proposed discharges of dredged or fill materials to a WOTUS) and 401 certification would be required. Region V, through Scoping Comments, has raised some concerns with the proposed project, including potential significant impacts to aquatic resources and wetlands. The city wants to work with EPA and any other Agencies that may raise concerns with the proposed project so that all concerns might be settled. *Mayor Langfelder recognizes the challenges to protecting water quality for his community, and to guaranteeing a clean and safe water supply. He is a strong advocate for partnerships to move toward these goals and would be an asset to the Water*

Workgroup or the fill membership. [5]

13. Commissioner Nick Fish, Bureau of Environmental Services: Portland, OR:

The City believes that the Willamette River is critical to the health and well-being of its citizens and economy. The City has a vested interest in the successful clean-up of the Portland Harbor Superfund site. The City is anxious to lead, along with other public agencies and private parties, to ensure that the Harbor clean-up is completed successfully, expeditiously, and responsibly. They support the ROD issued by EPA. *Their fundamental interests lie specifically in environmental protection, economic development, job training, fiscal responsibility, and livability. Commissioner Fish and city leaders have worked closely with EPA and other stakeholders to provide for meaningful public involvement to ensure that the public has a clear understanding of the clean-up process, costs, benefits, and impacts for each clean-up option. The Commissioner truly wants the city to be a model for other communities facing this type of challenge, and for what can result with meaningful federal, state, local and private partnerships. [10]*

14. @ David E. Cox, City Administrator – Village of Hartland, WI: The Village officials actually have issues more relevant to HHS but requested a meeting with us, and we accommodated. In the end, they appreciated our help in connecting them with appropriate HHS staff to voice concerns that HHS regulations could be hurting their economy's main source of jobs – a Vaping Manufacturing facility. During our time together, this group voiced overall support for what they see is the need for continuing dialogue between federal agencies, and small communities in particular, in order to work through concerns, strengthen collaboration, and focus on the best ways for them – and small communities - to represent their interests with federal agencies. *So a great conversation with the group, and they were excited to hear about the LGAC when we informed them about the group. Administrator Cox could be a valuable voice in the dialogue around how best to serve small communities and have effective partnerships with these communities. [5]*

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From: Neugeboren, Steven
Sent: Tue 8/8/2017 2:26:38 PM
Subject: RE: WOTUS Call in Non-responsive Conference Code/Ex.6

I've gotten a request from organizers of the ALI Clean Water Act Conference on December 4 to be on a WOTUS panel. Can we please add that question to the agenda for tomorrow's mtg. thanks.

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Hi Everyone, We hope you are having a terrific week. Pat and Karen

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Air Team Report

Week of August 21, 2017

Hearings/Mark Ups/Regulations

- On 8/22/2017, EPA Regional Administrators sent letters to all Governors and five Tribal leaders informing them of our intended area designations for SO₂. The letters started a 120-day period for states, territories and tribes to provide additional information before final designations for those areas must occur. By December 31, 2017, EPA must designate all remaining areas of the US, except for the areas where states have installed and are operating *new* air quality monitors.
- On 8/22/2017, EPA EPA announced a public hearing to be held in Washington, DC on September 6, 2017, for the notice “Request for Comment on Reconsideration of the Final Determination of the Mid-term Evaluation of Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards for Model Years 2022-2025 Light-duty Vehicles; Request for Comment on Model Year 2021 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards” announced August 10, 2017.

<https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-08/documents/ld-ghg-mte-reconsideration-public-hearing-frn-2017-08-18.pdf>

Meetings/Briefings/Roll-outs

- Tropical Storm Harvey – EPA staff is preparing for a potential emergency fuel waiver request.
- On Monday, 8/28, EPA staff will brief Rep. Knight’s staff on the CAA California Waiver authority in response to staff questions about why CA can promulgate stricter regulations.

Legislation of Interest

Nothing to report this week.

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Sent: Tue 8/8/2017 11:13:46 PM
Subject: Re: LGAC - Consideration for Service: Full LGAC or Workgroups

Arnita,

THANK YOU!!!

Fran

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 8, 2017, at 5:31 PM, Hannon, Arnita <Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov> wrote:

FINALLYYYY!!!

Hi and thanks again for allowing me to share some ‘bright stars’ with you as you move along with the LGAC membership solicitation process. I know it goes without saying that the following communities and their leaders, despite the limited resources and challenges that all communities of all sizes and demographics face, continue to: demonstrate firm commitments to protecting public health and the environment; promote both economically vibrant and sustainable communities; support effective federal, state, local, and private partnerships; and, in many cases, strive to – or have become - models of best practices. They all share EPA’s mission for communities, and all also believe that communities must invest in infrastructure and innovations – supported by effective partnerships - to meet regulatory and legal requirements to protect the health of their cities and towns. And per your suggestion, I have starred*** the ones who might be considered for any kind of future “Best Practices Workgroup,” for they have demonstrated success in this critical area AND a willingness to share with other communities. I’ve tried to maintain diversity by covering as many regions and demographics as I can – AND by moving beyond just my mayors and into Water Directors and Supervisors in some cases. But all outstanding I have to say.

I’ll get the links out to these folks or their reps (FR, and any other links you all would want me to share with them). Each, I KNOW would be humbled and willing to be considered for service in any capacity you all deem appropriate. Thanks as always for allowing your teammates to make recommendations! Here goes:

***= Best Practices/Success Stories

@= Small Community

&=medium size community

1. **Nancy Keller, Director of Water and Wastewater – Pueblo, CO** (Water Workgroup) *Nancy is part of a wonderful group of very dedicated local officials who are demonstrating a real commitment to addressing the selenium and sulfate challenges even though the city is suffering from economic stress. She has an amazing grasp of the issues, and reflects the strong sense of mission the city has to protect the environment and to protect the public health of its residents. A very valuable resource for the Water Workgroup Nancy would be, or for the general LGAC membership. [7]*
2. *****Supervisor Judi Bosworth – North Hempstead, NY:** *Supervisor Bosworth and her team have been especially innovative in approaches to stormwater management, including conducting house-by house inventories to address illicit discharges, and determining how to eliminate these discharges. They have also invested in a significant public awareness campaign as part of encouraging increased awareness of environmental stewardship. The town's Stormwater Awareness Campaign, "Only Rain in the Drain," has been received overwhelmingly by the community. When they met with us in July, Supervisor Bosworth and her team were proud to share a viewing of the campaign's enjoyable but compelling video (featuring the "Stormwater Police," played by the town's Public Affairs Director) during the meeting. EPA staff applauded the video and noted that this should certainly add to the success of the campaign. I have shared this video with both internal colleagues, USCM, NLC, and AAMA, and truly, this is a product that can be applied to almost any community, and, in one word of feedback, should be shown nationally – like during the Superbowl☺. A tremendous voice for the Water Workgroup or general LGAC membership. [2]*
3. ***** Mayor Jim Brainard- Carmel, IN:** *Chairs USCM's Energy Independence & Climate Protection Task Force. Passionate advocate for Sustainable Communities, and has absolutely employed an incredible number of innovations – including Green Infrastructure, and other approaches – in turning Carmel into a magnificent example of Best Practices (took the tour during the 2016 USCM Summer Meeting as the mayor bussed the entire conference over to Carmel). A long-time proponent of things like "Round Abouts" and other innovations and a strong voice for economically and environmentally robust communities. [5]*
4. **Mayor Carmen Freeman – Harriman City, UT:** *-Yet another strong voice for communities employing innovations and using partnerships effectively to promote economic growth, environmental protection, and sustainability. He continues his efforts to promote reuse and re-development of the Kennecott Mining Site through programs like Brownfields. I think Mayor Carmen's name has come up before (yep I've sent it forward in the past), but perhaps we have not had a slot. But he'd fit wonderfully on the Clean-up Committee, but would serve wherever you need him. [8]*
5. *****Mayor Sean Ford – Commerce City, CO** – *Successful clean-up of Rocky*

Mountain Arsenal chemical weapons manufacturing facility. After clean-up, much of the property was used to establish the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge. Next steps: The National Defense Authorization Act (NDA) for FY '17 included a provision (the Rocky Mountain Arsenal Amendment) that allows for an environmental assessment to evaluate the removal of deed restrictions that prohibit the development of revitalization projects supported by the city. The law now allows the city to move forward with its development plans – following an environmental review. *Mayor Ford applauds the continuing partnership between the City and EPA that resulted in the successful clean-up, and now they look forward to working with EPA to explore how the Agency might support the soil testing/verification so that their vision to pursue appropriate residential, commercial and possibly agricultural uses for the former arsenal property within their municipal jurisdiction.* They also look forward to partnering with EPA in the redevelopment and re-use efforts, including potential Brownfields, Green Infrastructure, and Sustainable Communities Program support. [8]

6. *****Mayor Jim Gray** – **Lexington, KY**: *Mayor Gray brings extraordinary enthusiasm and leadership to his city, and during a meeting with us in July, briefed and updated on the remarkable progress being made on the city's Consent Decree.* He characterized the efforts associated with related projects as an opportunity to demonstrate that the city can become a model for innovative approaches to meeting the terms, and environmental protection challenges. Mayor Gray has been personally involved in all of the efforts, including meeting weekly with the Consent Decree Project Manager, and focusing on key areas like schedule, budget, planning, design and engineering. The city has invested significantly – up to \$156 million to date – in projects to address the clean water infrastructure needs, and the requirements of the Consent Decree – one of the most significant investments in a number of years. They are on schedule and under budget by \$80.2M (to date) in meeting the obligations under the CD. *Mayor Gray and his team have expressed deep appreciation to EPA for the many partnerships with the Agency, and other federal Agencies that have been, as they say, extremely vital to the success of several projects the city has supported over the years, including Brownfields. Mayor Gray and his team believe in the value of strong federal, state, local, and private partnerships. They praised Region VI and continued partnerships in Brownfields and other areas. EPA staff congratulated the city on its outstanding work. Some of the great successes due to public/private partnerships include the Town Branch Project.* This project is set to become the keystone of the city, bringing nature into the downtown landscape. The Lexington Fayette Unified County Government (LFUCG) has had tremendous success in securing low-interest loans through the CWSRF. [6]

7. **Mayor Carmen Ramirez** – **Oxnard, CA** – *Ramirez continues to be a passionate advocate for successful clean-up of the Halaco Superfund Site. She strongly supports EPA's partnership with her city in this effort, and meets annually with headquarters to express deep appreciation to Region IX and progress to date, emphasize the importance of effective federal, state and local partnerships, and to discuss her vision for future reuse of the area.* She characterizes Region IX as a “great partner.” During her most recent meeting with EPA, she extended a verbal invitation for the Administrator to visit the site and observe the opportunity for reuse that lies ahead. [9]

8. **Supervisor Don Nottell – Sacramento County, CA:** The Supervisor is a great leader of the Delta Counties Coalition. *They advocate strongly for effective partnerships involving multiple federal and state agencies to address water management and ecosystem restoration. They support WIFIA, as well as BuRec grant programs to provide robust levels of competitive cost-shared partnerships for a wide range of water supply and water management projects.* Overall, they continue to support existing and additional federal grant and loan programs that can help enhance and rebuild the State's water infrastructure. They are also advocates for integrated regional water management, water recycling, and water reclamation and reuse. [9]

9. **&***Mayor Harold Perrin – Jonesboro, AR -** *A passionate advocate for communities and employing innovations to protect public health and the environment, and to boost the economy. The city is looking to use Brownfields support for six sites currently being assessed by ADEQ.* Mayor Perrin has worked closely with our Brownfields Program and OBLR and Regional staff have applauded his leadership and vision. The city stands ready to clean up the identified sites, and return them to productive use. He points proudly to what the city has been able to accomplish with EPA's funding support to date. Leading a community of 67,000, Mayor Perrin brings a great voice for meeting challenges through effective partnerships. [6]

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Subject: Rep. Newhouse Request for Technical Assistance
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Hey Layne,

I'm resending the Rep. Newhouse technical assistance documents for your review. We heard from Committee staff who asked if we can share comments in a week or two.



Pamela Janifer

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Robin,

For your review and clearance. Attached are technical assistance comments in response to a request from Congressman Newhouse. The bill, HR 848, the Farm Regulatory Certainty Act includes TA input from OGC (Mary Andrews and Robert S.) and OLEM (Randy D., Betsy Devlin and Tracy Atagi). The comments have been approved by Larry Starfield. The TA includes links to press articles and cases. OECA also included a RCRA 7003 order as further documentation in responding to the request.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela".

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Resolved Date: 8/9/2017 1:53:15 PM
Resolution Notes: action queued and fixed

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From: Hannon, Arnita
Sent: Tue 8/8/2017 9:31:58 PM
Subject: LGAC - Consideration for Service: Full LGAC or Workgroups

FINALLYYYY!!!

Hi and thanks again for allowing me to share some ‘bright stars’ with you as you move along with the LGAC membership solicitation process. I know it goes without saying that the following communities and their leaders, despite the limited resources and challenges that all communities of all sizes and demographics face, continue to: demonstrate firm commitments to protecting public health and the environment; promote both economically vibrant and sustainable communities; support effective federal, state, local, and private partnerships; and, in many cases, strive to – or have become - models of best practices. They all share EPA’s mission for communities, and all also believe that communities must invest in infrastructure and innovations – supported by effective partnerships - to meet regulatory and legal requirements to protect the health of their cities and towns. And per your suggestion, I have starred*** the ones who might be considered for any kind of future “Best Practices Workgroup,” for they have demonstrated success in this critical area AND a willingness to share with other communities. I’ve tried to maintain diversity by covering as many regions and demographics as I can – AND by moving beyond just my mayors and into Water Directors and Supervisors in some cases. But all outstanding I have to say. I’ll get the links out to these folks or their reps (FR, and any other links you all would want me to share with them). Each, I KNOW would be humbled and willing to be considered for service in any capacity you all deem appropriate. Thanks as always for allowing your teammates to make recommendations! Here goes:

***= Best Practices/Success Stories

@= Small Community

&=medium size community

1. **Nancy Keller, Director of Water and Wastewater – Pueblo, CO** (Water Workgroup)
Nancy is part of a wonderful group of very dedicated local officials who are demonstrating a real commitment to addressing the selenium and sulfate challenges even though the city is suffering from economic stress. She has an amazing grasp of the issues, and reflects the strong sense of mission the city has to protect the environment and to protect the public health of its residents. A very valuable resource for the Water Workgroup Nancy would be, or for the general LGAC membership. [7]

2. *****Supervisor Judi Bosworth** – **North Hempstead, NY:** *Supervisor Bosworth and her team have been especially innovative in approaches to stormwater management, including conducting house-by house inventories to address illicit discharges, and determining how to eliminate these discharges. They have also invested in a significant public awareness campaign as part of encouraging increased awareness of environmental stewardship. The town's Stormwater Awareness Campaign, "Only Rain in the Drain," has been received overwhelmingly by the community. When they met with us in July, Supervisor Bosworth and her team were proud to share a viewing of the campaign's enjoyable but compelling video (featuring the "Stormwater Police," played by the town's Public Affairs Director) during the meeting. EPA staff applauded the video and noted that this should certainly add to the success of the campaign. I have shared this video with both internal colleagues, USCM, NLC, and AAMA, and truly, this is a product that can be applied to almost any community, and, in one word of feedback, should be shown nationally – like during the Superbowl☺. A tremendous voice for the Water Workgroup or general LGAC membership.* [2]

3. *** **Mayor Jim Brainard**- **Carmel, IN:** *Chairs USCM's Energy Independence & Climate Protection Task Force. Passionate advocate for Sustainable Communities, and has absolutely employed an incredible number of innovations – including Green Infrastructure, and other approaches – in turning Carmel into a magnificent example of Best Practices (took the tour during the 2016 USCM Summer Meeting as the mayor bussed the entire conference over to Carmel). A long-time proponent of things like "Round Abouts" and other innovations and a strong voice for economically and environmentally robust communities.* [5]

4. **Mayor Carmen Freeman** – **Harriman City, UT:** *-Yet another strong voice for communities employing innovations and using partnerships effectively to promote economic growth, environmental protection, and sustainability. He continues his efforts to promote reuse and re-development of the Kennecott Mining Site through programs like Brownfields. I think Mayor Carmen's name has come up before (yep I've sent it forward in the past), but perhaps we have not had a slot. But he'd fit wonderfully on the Clean-up Committee, but would serve wherever you need him.* [8]

5. *****Mayor Sean Ford** – **Commerce City, CO** – *Successful clean-up of Rocky Mountain Arsenal chemical weapons manufacturing facility. After clean-up, much of the property was used to establish the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge. Next steps: The National Defense Authorization Act (NDA) for FY '17 included a provision (the Rocky Mountain Arsenal Amendment) that allows for an environmental assessment to evaluate the removal of deed restrictions that prohibit the development of revitalization projects supported by the city. The law now allows the city to move forward with its development plans – following an environmental review. Mayor Ford applauds the continuing partnership between the City and EPA that resulted in the successful clean-up, and now they look forward to working with EPA to explore how the Agency might support the soil testing/verification so that their vision to pursue appropriate residential, commercial and possibly agricultural uses for the former arsenal property within their municipal jurisdiction. They also look forward to partnering with EPA in the redevelopment and re-use efforts, including potential Brownfields, Green Infrastructure, and Sustainable Communities Program support.* [8]

6. *****Mayor Jim Gray – Lexington, KY:** *Mayor Gray brings extraordinary enthusiasm and leadership to his city, and during a meeting with us in July, briefed and updated on the remarkable progress being made on the city's Consent Decree.* He characterized the efforts associated with related projects as an opportunity to demonstrate that the city can become a model for innovative approaches to meeting the terms, and environmental protection challenges. Mayor Gray has been personally involved in all of the efforts, including meeting weekly with the Consent Decree Project Manager, and focusing on key areas like schedule, budget, planning, design and engineering. The city has invested significantly – up to \$156 million to date – in projects to address the clean water infrastructure needs, and the requirements of the Consent Decree – one of the most significant investments in a number of years. They are on schedule and under budget by \$80.2M (to date) in meeting the obligations under the CD. *Mayor Gray and his team have expressed deep appreciation to EPA for the many partnerships with the Agency, and other federal Agencies that have been, as they say, extremely vital to the success of several projects the city has supported over the years, including Brownfields. Mayor Gray and his team believe in the value of strong federal, state, local, and private partnerships. They praised Region VI and continued partnerships in Brownfields and other areas. EPA staff congratulated the city on its outstanding work. Some of the great successes due to public/private partnerships include the Town Branch Project.* This project is set to become the keystone of the city, bringing nature into the downtown landscape. The Lexington Fayette Unified County Government (LFUCG) has had tremendous success in securing low-interest loans through the CWSRF. [6]

7. **Mayor Carmen Ramirez – Oxnard, CA –** *Ramirez continues to be a passionate advocate for successful clean-up of the Halaco Superfund Site. She strongly supports EPA's partnership with her city in this effort, and meets annually with headquarters to express deep appreciation to Region IX and progress to date, emphasize the importance of effective federal, state and local partnerships, and to discuss her vision for future reuse of the area.* She characterizes Region IX as a “great partner.” During her most recent meeting with EPA, she extended a verbal invitation for the Administrator to visit the site and observe the opportunity for reuse that lies ahead. [9]

8. **Supervisor Don Nottell – Sacramento County, CA:** The Supervisor is a great leader of the Delta Counties Coalition. *They advocate strongly for effective partnerships involving multiple federal and state agencies to address water management and ecosystem restoration. They support WIFIA, as well as BuRec grant programs to provide robust levels of competitive cost-shared partnerships for a wide range of water supply and water management projects.* Overall, they continue to support existing and additional federal grant and loan programs that can help enhance and rebuild the State's water infrastructure. They are also advocates for integrated regional water management, water recycling, and water reclamation and reuse. [9]

9. **&***Mayor Harold Perrin – Jonesboro, AR -** *A passionate advocate for communities and employing innovations to protect public health and the environment, and to boost the economy. The city is looking to use Brownfields support for six sites currently being assessed by ADEQ.* Mayor Perrin has worked closely with our Brownfields Program and OBLR and Regional staff have applauded his leadership and vision. The city stands ready to clean up the identified sites, and return them to productive use. He points proudly to what the city has been able to accomplish with EPA's funding support to date. Leading a community of 67,000, Mayor Perrin brings a great voice for meeting challenges through effective partnerships. [6]

10. *****Mayor Lucy Vims – Eugene, OR:** *Mayor Vims is new to her position and brings high energy and vision for promoting economic development, infrastructure, and transportation investments, and continuing to restore the city's Riverfront. She and her team have noted that EPA has been a great partner to the city. Mayor Vims joins many of our great mayors in a willingness to share Best Practices that have brought some significant successes to her city and surrounding areas through collaboration and regional approaches.* Brownfields support will play a key role in continuing efforts to promote this sustainable community. She and The United Front Partners of Lane County, OR met with EPA and briefed staff on the comprehensive vision they have created to build on the regional strengths, complement the region's economic drivers, leverage existing resources, and establish a lasting legacy for their community. Such passion for ensuring the best quality of life for all residents was on full display as the team outlined some of their efforts, and successes. Key successes through public/private partnerships (including support from EPA, DOT, and other Agencies, along with private foundations and other private entities) include: Riverfront Redevelopment, including the Riverfront and Innovation District (enhances the region's global competitiveness; connects downtown to the Willamette River; creates an active place to work and live). Partnership with the University of Oregon: The Phil and Penny Knight Campus for Accelerating Scientific Impact is a \$1 billion initiative designed to fast-track scientific discoveries into innovations, products, or cures to improve the quality of life for people in Oregon and throughout the world. First phase of construction scheduled for completion in 2020. Restoration Project: Franklin Boulevard Corridor links Eugene and Springfield, while providing direct access to the Willamette River Confluence. The restoration ensures clean and cool water flowing into the urbanized regions downstream and serves as an important linkage to recreational trails that access south Eugene, the Willamalane Park and Recreation District, and even the Pacific Crest Trail. [see great brochure highlighting projects on display outside of my cubie☺] [10]

11. **@Mayor Anne P. Stedman: Newton, NC:** *Mayor Stedman is yet another passionate visionary who brings great commitment to ensuring that the needs of the residents of this small community near Charlotte are addressed, despite the devastating job losses and population decline that have plagued this city of 12,000 over the years.* She and her team are now welcoming economic development opportunities being created by a highway expansion (NC 16) that will reduce travel time between Newton and Charlotte to less than 30 minutes. Looking ahead, however, they are facing the challenges that will come with anticipated growth and they are laying a firm foundation to be prepared with adequate infrastructure in place for a sustainable community. They are taking a proactive approach to seeking meaningful partnerships with Federal Agencies to support their revitalization efforts, And they are committed to dedicating necessary local resources to the extent that they can. Priorities: Main Street Revitalization and Infrastructure Project; Funding needs to renovate the town's Wastewater Treatment Plant; Stormwater Rehabilitation. *What a great mayor for SCAS!* [4]

12. **Mayor David Langfelder: Springfield, IL:** This mayor and this team are supporting protection of the water quality for Lake Springfield, as well as a secondary source of water for the city. Lake Springfield is the current water supply lake, and they are looking to supplement the water supply. The city has proposed the Springfield Supplemental Water Supply Project that involves building a lake. A 404 permit (for proposed discharges of dredged or fill materials

to a WOTUS) and 401 certification would be required. Region V, through Scoping Comments, has raised some concerns with the proposed project, including potential significant impacts to aquatic resources and wetlands. The city wants to work with EPA and any other Agencies that may raise concerns with the proposed project so that all concerns might be settled. *Mayor Langfelder recognizes the challenges to protecting water quality for his community, and to guaranteeing a clean and safe water supply. He is a strong advocate for partnerships to move toward these goals and would be an asset to the Water Workgroup or the fill membership.* [5]

13. **Commissioner Nick Fish, Bureau of Environmental Services: Portland, OR:** The City believes that the Willamette River is critical to the health and well-being of its citizens and economy. The City has a vested interest in the successful clean-up of the Portland Harbor Superfund site. The City is anxious to lead, along with other public agencies and private parties, to ensure that the Harbor clean-up is completed successfully, expeditiously, and responsibly. They support the ROD issued by EPA. *Their fundamental interests lie specifically in environmental protection, economic development, job training, fiscal responsibility, and livability. Commissioner Fish and city leaders have worked closely with EPA and other stakeholders to provide for meaningful public involvement to ensure that the public has a clear understanding of the clean-up process, costs, benefits, and impacts for each clean-up option. The Commissioner truly wants the city to be a model for other communities facing this type of challenge, and for what can result with meaningful federal, state, local and private partnerships.* [10]

14. **@ David E. Cox, City Administrator – Village of Hartland, WI:** The Village officials actually have issues more relevant to HHS but requested a meeting with us, and we accommodated. In the end, they appreciated our help in connecting them with appropriate HHS staff to voice concerns that HHS regulations could be hurting their economy's main source of jobs – a Vaping Manufacturing facility. During our time together, this group voiced overall support for what they see is the need for continuing dialogue between federal agencies, and small communities in particular, in order to work through concerns, strengthen collaboration, and focus on the best ways for them – and small communities - to represent their interests with federal agencies. *So a great conversation with the group, and they were excited to hear about the LGAC when we informed them about the group. Administrator Cox could be a valuable voice in the dialogue around how best to serve small communities and have effective partnerships with these communities.* [5]

15. **@Mayor Eric Jensen, DPM - Carroll, IA:** Mayor Jensen and City Manager Mike Pogge-Weaver led a great delegation that included reps from the Chamber of Commerce, the Area Development Corporation, and a cross-section of community representatives, including business owners, to discuss the city's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Operation Permit, issued November 1, 2016, and concerns about the effluent copper limits. Staff from Senator Grassley's office also joined that meeting. The local officials expressed concerns about what they characterized as costly options to meet effluent copper limits that would be most burdensome to this small community of 10,000. Mayor Jensen and his team support compliance with all permit requirements, including copper limits, as they try to protect the public health of their residents. The city currently complies with the Primary Drinking Water Standard Contaminant level for copper. They are concerned that they will not be able to meet

the 2021 wastewater effluent copper limit set by the State. The City is seeking a review of the wastewater copper limit and retention of the current limit. Mayor Jensen and the group appreciated the extension discuss and guidance. Although a State jurisdictional matter with respect to any modifications, they also were informed about the Variance option -perhaps with “economic hardship” status being considered. Mayor Jensen and his team welcomed enthusiastically the Region V pledge to continue as a resource for the city as they work with the State. They were also heartened to hear from Regional staff their awareness that the city has had some conversations with the State and that the State is open to further conversations. Mayor Jensen would be a great voice for the SCAS I believe. It seems that he and the city and regional officials are very supportive of effective partnerships between the federal, state and local levels, and they also are committed to protecting the environment and the public health of their community despite significant challenges presented by the economic downturn.

Mayor Jensen is a passionate advocate for the plight of small communities, and was excited to hear a little about EPA’s Local Government Advisory Committee and its Small Communities Advisory Subcommittee from OIR staff following the meeting. He has noted graciously that he is willing to serve EPA in any ways he might be helpful in “giving voice” to small communities. The mayor supports investments in infrastructure and programs to protect the public health of residents, and noted that his city is always willing to do its part. However, he also wants to bring awareness to the economic challenges that small communities face as they continue their commitments to complying with laws and regulations [7]

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Sent: Tue 3/7/2017 9:03:38 PM
Subject: key to conference room 3528

FYI: For future reference, if anyone needs a key to 3528 (conference room), Wuanisha Scales and Andy Hanson have a key. I'm putting a request for Arnita today for a key as well. **If anyone else have a key to that conference room please let me know.** Thank you.

Also, remember if either Wuanisha, Andy and Arnita are not available, please contact security and they will come up to open the door for you.



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Sent: Tue 8/29/2017 9:32:21 PM
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Yes, your Time has been entered.

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Chardonnay can you double check that I have submitted this?

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Sent: Thur 8/24/2017 6:47:06 PM
Subject: Land, Response and Enforcement Team Weekly Report

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Land, Response and Enforcement Team Weekly Report

Week of August 28, 2017

MEETINGS/BRIEFINGS:

n/a

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

n/a

HEARINGS:

none

115th CONGRESS LEGISLATION:

S.1211 – Sen. Blunt (MO), Sen. McCaskill/H.R. 2632 - Rep. Clay, Rep. Wagner, Rep.

Luetkemeyer: A bill to require the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, to undertake remediation oversight of the West Lake Landfill located in Bridgeton, Missouri. Referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, 05/24/2017; House bill referred to the House Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, House Transportation and Infrastructure, 5/25/2017.

S. 822 – Sen. Inhofe (OK); BUILD Act- To amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to modify provisions relating to grants, and for other purposes. 7/13/17 was reported by the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 3017 – Rep. McKinley (WV); Brownfields Enhancement Economic Redevelopment and Reauthorization Act of 2017 To amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to reauthorize and improve the brownfields program, and for other purposes. 6/28/17 was reported by House Energy and Commerce Committee.

H.R. 1737 – Rep. Crawford (AR); FUELS Act-To amend the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014 with respect to the application of the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule to certain farms, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1758 – Rep. Katko (NY)/Rep. Esty (CT); The Brownfields Reauthorization Act of 2017 - would reauthorize the Brownfields program at the Environmental Protection Agency. 7/27/17 was reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

S 203 – Sen. Burr (NC)/ H.R. 350 – Rep. McHenry (NC); “Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act of 2017”- a bill to reaffirm that the EPA may not regulate vehicles used solely for competition and for other purposes; referred to SEPW; House bill referred to HEC.

H.R. 848- Rep. Newhouse (WA); “Farm Regulatory Certainty Act” -the bill would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to incentivize efficient nutrient management

practices and to clarify citizen suit provisions. The bill is similar to H.R.5685 introduced during the 114th Congress.

H.R.917 - Rep. Cook (CA); To control the export of electronic waste in order to ensure that such waste does not become the source of counterfeit goods that may reenter military and civilian electronics supply chains in the United States, and for other purposes. Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

H.R.962 - Rep. Kildee (MI); To prohibit operation of aquaculture facilities that contribute to pollution of wild and scenic rivers. Referred to House Agriculture.

H.R.1034 - Rep. Ellison (MN); To authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to award grants for municipal solid waste prevention, reuse, and recycling program development, and for other purposes. Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R. 1913 – Rep. Panetta (CA); To establish the Clear Creek National Recreation Area in San Benito and Fresno Counties, California, to designate the Joaquin Rocks Wilderness in such counties, and for other purposes. Passed the House on 07/11/2017. Received in the Senate on 07/11/2017 and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Many thanks,

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Sent: Tue 3/7/2017 8:59:57 PM
Subject: Re: Region 4 Administrator

Hi Charles - Got it. Would you like us to reach back for the letters we've received? Thank you!
Robin

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On Mar 7, 2017, at 3:50 PM, Munoz, Charles <munoz.charles@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks, Layne. Going forward I need a resume from anyone being recommended an appointment.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 7, 2017, at 3:48 PM, Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov> wrote:

Thank you Layne!

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On Mar 7, 2017, at 2:58 PM, Bangerter, Layne <bangerter.layne@epa.gov> wrote:

Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

Thanks, Layne

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Subject: OCIR Water, Pesticides and Toxics Team Weekly Report
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Please see the attached report and let us know if any questions. Only one week of
recess left before it's see you in September. Thanks,

Sven

Sven-Erik Kaiser

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Week of August 28, 2017

House and Senate in recess until September 5

HOT ISSUES:

- WIFIA (Matt)
- Waters of the U.S., Executive Order, litigation, & replacement rulemaking (Denis)
- Lead in drinking water (Matt)
- WIIN Act (Matt)
- PRIA Reauthorization (Sven)
- Integrated Planning (Matt)
- Asian Carp/Great Lakes (Denis)
- PFCs/PFOA/PFOS/GenX (Matt)

MEETINGS/BRIEFINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Aug 24 – Senate Ag TA call on pesticides and ESA w/OCSPP, OGC (Sven)

Aug 28 – Notification of Formaldehyde Compliance Date Extension Rule (Sven)

Aug 28 – Background briefing for House T&I majority on U.S.-Mexico Border water infrastructure program w/ OW, OITA, R6, R9 (Matt)

Week of Sep 4 – House T&I majority briefing on WIFIA w/OW (Matt)

TBD Aug – Cong. Weber (TX) briefing on EPA review process for pending USACE dredge permits (Denis)

TBD – Transmittal of 2017 Gulf Hypoxia Task Force Report to Congress w/OW (Denis)

TBD – Transmittal of 2017 National Water Quality Indicators Report to Congress w/OW (Denis)

TBD – Senate and House staff briefing on TSCA New Chemicals program w/OCSPP (Sven)

TBD – Likely House T&I hearing on water infrastructure; no EPA witness (Matt)

TBD – Transmittal of 2015 DWSRF Needs Survey Report to Congress w/OW (Matt)

HEARINGS/MARKUPS:

None

115th CONGRESS LEGISLATION:

HR 465 – Gibbs (OH), codifies integrated wastewater and stormwater planning (Matt)

HR 953 – Gibbs (OH), negates NPDES pesticide general permit, **Passed House May 24** (Matt)

HR 1029 – Davis (IL), PRIA 4, reauthorizes pesticide registration fees, **Passed House March 20, Senate Ag hearing May 11, Passed Senate Ag June 29 (amended)** (Sven)

HR 1068 – Pallone (NJ)/Tonko (NY), comprehensive update to SDWA, also incorporates the text of other bills, including HR 1071 (Tonko/Pallone) and HR 2479 (Pallone) (Matt)

HR 1154 – Hunter (CA), addresses ballast water discharges (Denis)

HR 1261 – Thornberry (TX), revises navigable waters definition and limits CWA jurisdiction (Denis)

HR 1647 – Blumenauer (OR), establishes water trust fund to support SRFs (Matt)

HR 1674 – DeLauro (CT), LI Sound restoration reauthorization (Denis)

HR 1971 – Smucker (PA), companion to S 692 on integrated planning (Matt)

HR 1974 – Kildee (MI), NO LEAD Act, Requires lead & copper rule update within 9 months; adds lead

sampling and transparency requirements (Matt)

HR 2355 – Latta (OH), companion to S 692 on integrated planning (Matt)

HR 2510 – DeFazio (OR), amends CWA for small/disadvantaged community technical assistance and CWSRF prioritization; reauthorizes sewer grant program (Matt)

HR 2923 – Graves (LA), authorizes Gulf of Mexico partnership (NOAA) and provides gift and borrowing authority to RESTORE Council (Matt)

HR 3106 – Boyle (PA), would require EPA to set MCL for PFOA and PFOS within two years (Matt)

HR 3206 – Dingell (MI), affects delivery and compilation of SDWA Consumer Confidence Reports (Matt)

HR 3248 – Cartwright (PA), authorizes WaterSense, incorporates in federal procurement, and creates early-adopter incentive program (Denis)

HR 3380 – Velazquez (NY), with S 1624, bans chlorpyrifos (Sven)

HR 3387 – Harper (MS), Drinking Water System Improvement Act of 2017, **Passed House Energy & Commerce July 27 with amendment; floor action TBD; views to OMB and feedback to CBO sent the week of Aug 14** (Matt)

S 168 – Wicker (MS), addresses ballast water discharges, **Passed Senate Commerce Jan 24** (Denis)

S 181 – Brown (OH), broadens Buy America use in infrastructure projects (Matt)

S 340 – Crapo (ID), stops NPDES pesticide general permit (Matt)

S 518 – Wicker (MS), technical assistance for small POTWs, **Passed SEPW April 5** (Matt)

S 519 – Gillibrand/Schumer (NY), requires SDWA MCLG and MCL for PFOA, PFOS, 1,4-dioxane, and perchlorate within two years (Matt)

S 675 – Gillibrand (NY), Long Island Sound funding, **Passed SEPW April 5** (Denis)

S 692 – Fischer (NE)/Cardin (MD), integrated planning, **Passed SEPW April 5** (Matt)

S 880 – Baldwin (WI), makes DWSRF AIS provisions permanent (Matt)

S 914 – Shaheen (NH)/Portman (OH), enhances federal coordination and state assistance for emerging contaminant testing and analysis (Matt)

S 1057 – Nelson (FL), amends HABHRCA (algal blooms), including designating nationally significant HAB events, **Passed Senate Commerce May 18, with amendments** (Denis)

S 1129 – Sullivan (AK) Coast Guard Authorization, includes vessel general permit language from S.168, **Passed Senate Commerce May 18, with amendments** (Denis)

S 1137 – Boozman (AR)/Cardin (MD), amends SDWA funding eligibility provisions, authorizes WaterSense, and reauthorizes sewer overflow control grant program (Matt)

S 1401 – Duckworth (IL), requires LCR revisions to address school lead testing and notification; creates school lead testing and notification grant program (Matt)

S 1460 – Murkowski (AK), energy efficiency bill including WaterSense (Denis)

S 1514 – Barrasso (WY), Sportsmen's bill including TSCA lead ammo and fishing tackle exclusion and Chesapeake Bay program reauthorization **Passed SEPW July 26, with amendments** (Sven/Denis)

S 1624 – Udall (NM), with HR 3380, bans chlorpyrifos, **Introduced July 25, Floor speech Aug 2** (Sven)

S 1695 – Udall (NM), establishes innovative stormwater infrastructure centers & grant program, requires EPA green infrastructure promotion (Matt)

S 1700 – Udall (NM), authorizes WaterSense, Introduced August 2 (Denis)

To: Schnare, David [Schnare.david@epa.gov]
From: [Personal Matters/Ex. 6]
Sent: Thur 1/26/2017 4:46:49 PM
Subject: Nice Meeting You

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David:

It was a pleasure to meet you this morning.

As we discussed, I'm currently the [Personal Matters/Ex. 6], and my resume is attached. As you will see, I have a wealth of experience at EPA, and have spent time in senior level positions in OSWER/OLEM, OEI, OARM, and EPA Region 7 in Kansas City.

I would love to work with and support the Trump Administration, especially here at EPA. While an absolute dream come true would be to become the [Personal Matters/Ex. 6] a position I could assume with no personal or professional issues/concerns for a confirmation hearing, I understand that's a big dream, and the likelihood of happening is pretty slim☺ With that being said, I would be honored to be a part of the senior leadership of the Trump Team at EPA, and would love the opportunity to bring my knowledge and experience to move the agency forward in a more positive direction.

In the meantime, if you need anything or have any questions, I would be more than happy to help you and the others on the Beachhead Team.

I hope to hear from again soon.

Regards-

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